



## Creature Report

Due: November 10th

Students will be writing a report about the creatures they created. Attached you will find the template for your child's report. We have been working on writing a practice report in class, so students should be familiar with topic sentences, introductions and conclusions, and descriptions. However, since this is their first independent report, they will need help and guidance.

Cover Page	Write a title for your report. Draw a picture of your animal and write your name below it.
Page 1 - Introduction	Write an opening paragraph for your report. This should start with a <u>topic sentence</u> followed by 2-3 sentences that describe your animal and list all of its adaptations.
Page 2 Adaptation	Draw a picture of one of your animal's adaptations (make sure to label it). Write 3 – 4 sentences describing the adaptation and how it helps your animal survive in its habitat. Make sure to include a <u>topic sentence</u> that introduces the adaptation before you describe it.
Pages 3 & 4 Adaptations	Complete the same steps as page 2 to describe your animals other two adaptations. Don't forget to draw and label a picture of each adaptation.
Page 5 – Conclusion	Write at least three sentences to end your report. The conclusion should start with a <u>topic sentence</u> and end with a <u>closing sentence</u> .
Make it Look Great	Color all of your pictures and use your nicest handwriting.

More information:

- a. There is an extra piece of "lined" paper that students can use if they need more space to write their answers.
- b. Because this is a formal report, please help your child use correct punctuation, capitalization, and spelling. In 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, we are learning "how" to write reports, so parents are welcome to give as much support as needed.

EXAMPLE:

I have included an example report on ClassReach (I will also email you a link). Please feel free to reference it as needed while your child is writing his/her report.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions!

# Creature Report Grading Rubric

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

	3 point	3 points	3 points	Total Points
<b><u>Introduction</u></b>	Incomplete—does not include a topic sentence and/or details about the creature and adaptations.	Missing some of the required information (details are incomplete).	All required information is present and complete.	___ / 3
<b><u>Adaptations</u></b>	Not complete. Missing topic sentences, descriptions, pictures, and/or labels.	Missing some of the required information and/or pictures.	All required information is present and complete. Pictures are included.	___ / 3
<b><u>Neatness (3 points)</u></b> Coloring and handwriting	Pictures are not colored and/or handwriting is not legible. Grammar errors throughout.	Coloring and/or handwriting is messy.	Nicely colored with neat handwriting that is easy to read.	___ / 3
<b><u>Grammar (3 points)</u></b> Complete sentences / correct capitalization and punctuation		Some grammatical errors.	Few to no grammatical errors.	___ / 3
<b><u>Conclusion</u></b>	Incomplete—does not include a topic sentence or closing sentence.	Missing some of the required information.	All required information is present and complete.	___ / 3
<b><u>Presentation</u></b>	Presentation is not complete (child chose not to present).	Report is shown but not presented with a clear voice (mumbles, uses silly voice, or chooses not to speak).	Information is presented with a clear voice and all of the pictures are shown.	___ / 3
<b>Teacher Comments:</b>				<b>Average Score</b>  ___ / 45