

**Suggested Pre-Field Trip Activities
for Animals in Winter at Wood Lake Nature Center**

Vocabulary

- Burrow
- Nest
- Survival
- Senses
- Den

*Review vocabulary list.

*Introduce what a nature center is and what a naturalist does.

*Recap with students how animals prepare for winter through migration, hibernation, or adaptation.

*Ask students how they stay warm during winter and if animals behave the same way.

*Have students act like animals in winter (sleeping, looking for food, eating).

*Talk with students about how they can use their senses to learn about winter.

*Suggested Book: *The Mitten* by Jan Brett, *It's Winter* by Linda Glaser

**Suggested Post-Field trip Activities
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*Review vocabulary list.

*Have students pick their favorite animal from the field trip and have them sketch a picture of it.

*Have students compare the animals they saw on their field trip in fall versus the winter.

*What senses did students use to learn about animals and winter?

*Review with students how animals are able to live through cold Minnesota Winters.