









Matching noses and tails for Activity # 2 if you do not have access to video. For in-person format, participants can make the nose and tails to wear!



NOTE: A better copy will be provided for the program.

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How Animals Use Their Tails



My tail helps me fly. My short, wide tail feathers catch the wind and let me steer as I soar through the sky.

My tail is for protecting myself. I have pincers on my tail to protect me from predators. Sometimes I use these pincers to attract a mate or fight over food with other animals like me.

I use my tail to keep warm at night. When the weather gets cold, I curl up and sleep with my nose tucked into my tail. The soft, fluffy fur helps me stay warm even in snowy weather.

I use my tail to lay eggs. I have a long, tubelike tail called an "ovipositor." This helps me lay my eggs inside plant stems or in the dirt.

Smack. My tail slaps against the water with a booming sound. Other animals like me hear the sound and know a threat is nearby. They dive for cover. When I swim, I use my tail to steer.

Answers: 1-E, 2-B, 3-D, 4-C, 5-A

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