

Core Competencies: Personal Social – Environmental responsibility

Curriculum: Personal Social -Social Awareness and Responsibility	Learning Goals: I am becoming responsible to take care of the natural environment around me
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Materials

- access to a computer or iPad to watch a story
- pencil and paper or notebook

Activities



The natural world is an incredible place- the place we call home. We are so lucky to have a diversity of plants and animals to observe and learn from. We also have the responsibility to protect the earth. There is a woman whose life has been dedicated to protecting those whom she is most passionate about- chimpanzees! Her name is Jane Goodall and she has a lot to teach us about.

Read/Watch: Me....Jane. This book shows how Jane thought when she was your age. What qualities did she have? Curiosity, passion, courage, wondering.... She loved chimpanzees and animals so much that she wanted to live with and study them.

Watch this wonderful reading of this book by Jane Goodall on You tube: [\(1\) Storytime with Dr. Jane: Reading of Me ... Jane by Patrick McDonnell - YouTube.](#)

Brainstorm: What animals do you love? What animals or plants are you interested in?

Jane used to dream about living with the chimps as a young person. She drew many drawings and puzzles about animals. Dream about how you would like to care for a plant or animal. Where would you be? Where would you live? (A treehouse? A submarine? A tent? A research station?) What animals would you be studying? Draw your dream in a journal or on a piece of paper.

Concluding conversations/extensions: Read/Listen to the note from Jane at the back of the book. She states that each of us makes a difference and our actions are important to the world. How can we take care of our environment? Brainstorm big ideas to protect your world.

