





Do all 5 activities to earn the patch. This patch can be purchased at the GSSNE shop.

- 1. Choose a zoo to visit. Arrange to take a tour of this zoo and/or attend a zoo education program led by a guide. After your visit, talk about what you saw and learned.
- 2. Meet someone who works at the zoo and find out what their job involves. Find out about what training/experience this person needs to do their job.
- 3. Choose and learn about two animals. Find out as much as you can about these animals including:
 - What group of animals do they belong?
 - What country do they naturally live in? Can you find that country on a map?
 - What is their habitat or home like?
 - What do they eat in the wild? What do they eat at the zoo?
 - What other animals prey upon them in the wild?
 - Do they normally have a large or small family?
 - Are people a threat to their well-being?
 - Are these animals normally a part of every zoo's family or are they a rarity in zoos?
 - Do they have particular health problems?
- 4. Make a display of pictures, drawings, posters, photographs and related materials to show others about your experience at the zoo.
- 5. Share a story about a zoo with others. It can be a real-life story, a work of fiction or one you write yourself!







JUNIOR ZOO PATCH

This patch can be purchased at the GSSNE Shop. Visit a zoo of your choice and choose 6 activities to do there, including #1.

- 1. **MANDATORY -** Take a tour of a zoo. Make a list of ten animals who live at the Zoo. Tell whether these are mammals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, fish or invertebrates. What do they eat?
- 2. Zoos are for animals AND people! Find out why we have Zoos. Why are they important for the happiness and well-being of all living things?
- 3. Meet a docent and find out what this person does to help the Zoo.
- 4. Meet a keeper, a curator or a Zoo Director. Learn what each person does at the Zoo.
- 5. Choose one of the zoo animals and write a poem about it. Choose a different one and draw a picture.
- 6. Learn the term "Food Web". What is it? Choose two animals at the Zoo and tell what role they play in their natural food web, i.e., what is their "job" in the wild?
- 6. Make up a food web game of animals in your own neighborhood and teach it to another group.
- 7. Learn the difference between an endangered animal and an extinct animal. Why do animals become endangered or extinct? List five endangered animals and two extinct animals. How do zoos help endangered creatures? Make a poster to help people understand the zoo.
- 8. Learn two songs about animals who would be found in zoos.
- 9. Learn three stories about animals that would be found in zoos. Be able to tell them to your troop.

