

**RANGER
BUDDIES**



BABY MAMMALS EDITION

PRE-SHOW RESOURCE

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Join Ranger Hosts Kiara and Lorraine on an adventure to meet our baby capybara and three other furry animal babies! Discover how these babies learn important survival skills like finding food and staying safe.

This resource provides animal facts and videos to support classroom discussions about baby mammals and their early life experiences.

In this resource pack, you will find:

1. Ranger Buddies News Clipping
2. Video links featuring Mandai's baby mammals
3. Classroom Discussion Questions

RANGER BUDDIES NEWS

BABY BOOM AT THE ZOO!



Where animals live shapes what they learn

In 2025, Singapore's five wildlife parks welcomed about 1,000 baby animals. These babies grow up in different environments, so they learn different ways to find food and stay safe. Let's learn more about baby mammals!



Baby meerkats learn how to handle food safely.

In the drylands, meerkats hunt small prey animals, like scorpions, which can be dangerous. Adult meerkats help remove the scorpion stinger first, before slowly teaching the babies to remove the stingers by themselves.



Baby sloths learn how to explore safely.

Living high up in rainforest trees, baby sloths stay safe by clinging to their mummies. As they grow, they reach for nearby leaves or branches, slowly building confidence to explore further each time.



Baby orangutans learn how to find food.

Orangutans live in the rainforest. By staying close to their mothers and following her lead, baby orangutans learn which foods are safe to eat and how to find them.

DISCOVER BABY MAMMALS IN ACTION!

Click the pictures below to watch videos of baby mammals from the Singapore Zoo.



Meerkat



Sloth



Orangutan

CLASSROOM DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Use the information and video links on the above pages to start a class discussion about baby mammals. Discuss how baby mammals grow, what they need to learn as they grow up, and how they may be similar to or different from the children themselves.

Was this baby mammal like you when you were a baby?

Can this baby mammal do something you cannot? What is something you can do that the baby mammal cannot do?

What does this baby animal need to grow strong?

Who takes care of this baby mammal?
Who takes care of you?

What new things to you think the baby mammal needs to learn?