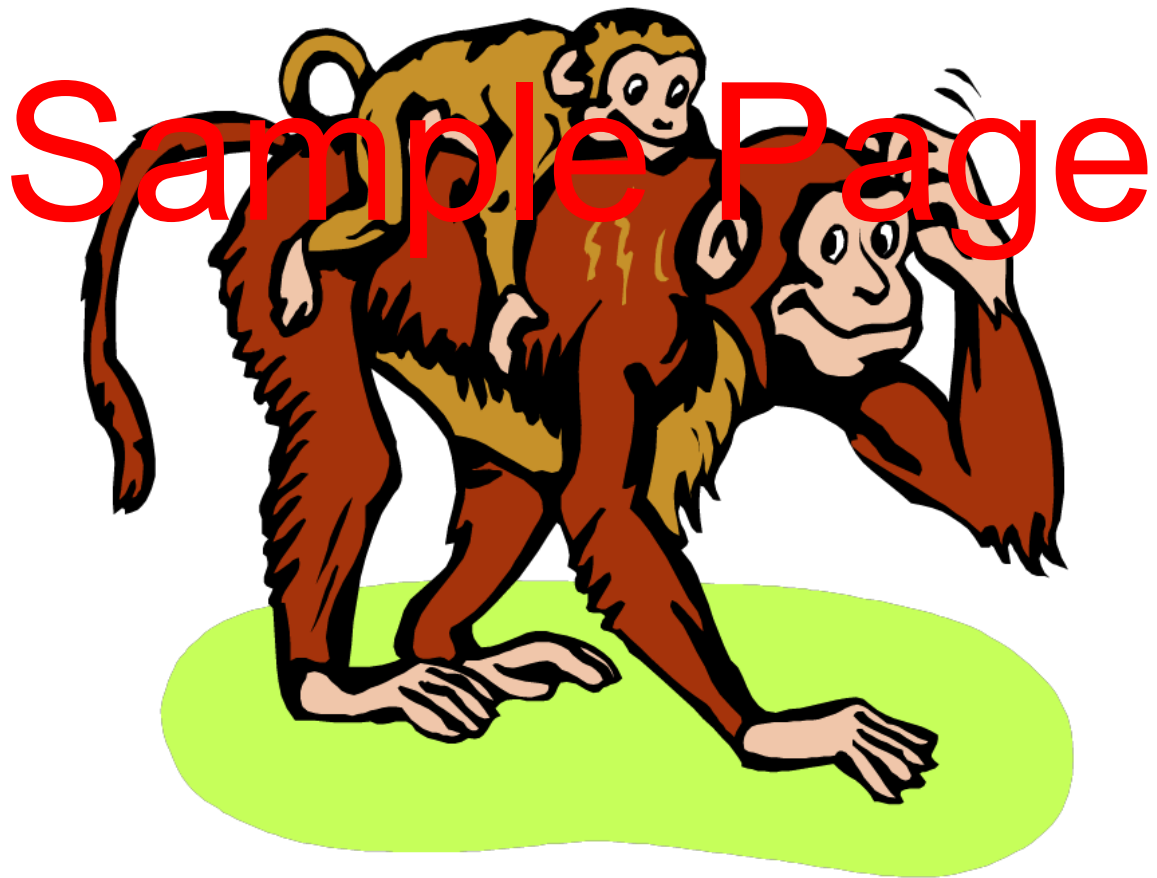




Early Learning

# Learning About Zoo Animals

Learning Lapbook



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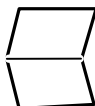
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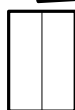
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# Things to Know

**Hamburger Fold**-Fold horizontally



**Hotdog Fold**-Fold vertically



**Folds**-Labeled with a small line to show where the fold is and the words “hamburger fold” or “hotdog fold.”

**Dotted Lines**-These are the cutting lines

**Accordion Fold**-This fold is like making a paper fan. Fold on the first line so that title is on top. Turn over and fold on next line so that title is on top again. Turn over again and fold again on the next line so that title is on top. Continue until all folds are done.

**Cover Labels**-Most of the booklets that are folded look nicer with a label on top instead of just a blank space. They will be labeled “cover label.”

## So where do the mini-booklets go?

A shape-coded and labeled KEY is included. This key shows you where all of the mini-booklets go in each folder. Keep this page handy! You'll also find at the top of the mini-booklet pages another graphic that shows once again where to place the booklet in each folder. So there are TWO ways to see where to place the booklet. We made it easy! You won't get lost.

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## Lapbook Assembly Choices

(see photos on how to fold and glue your folders together)

**We recommend using Zip Dry Glue.**

**Choice #1** -Do not glue your folders together until you have completely finished all three folders. It is easier to work with one folder instead of two or three glued together.

**Choice #2** -Glue all of your folders together before beginning. Some children like to see the entire project as they work on it. It helps with keeping up with which folder you are supposed to be working in. The choices are completely up to you and your child!

## How Long Does it Take to Complete the Lapbook?

Doing a study guide page and mini-booklet a day, a 3-folder lapbook takes about one month to complete. However, you can expand the study portion and make it last as long as you like! That's the beauty of homeschooling! Do it YOUR way!

## How It All Goes Together

### What you need to get started

- \*A printed copy of the lapbook by A Journey Through Learning
- \*2 colored file folders
- \*Scissors
- \*Glue
- \*Hole puncher
- \*Brads
- \*Stapler

### To make the storage system (optional-directions under “Keeping it all together)

- \*Duct tape (preferably at least two different colors but not necessary)
- \*One 3-ring binder

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Study Choices (1 Study Guide are included)

Choice #1- Read the first page of the study guide. Then use the internet and fun children's books to learn more about the topic that is covered in that study guide. For instance-our American Indians lapbook has a study guide page about Geronimo. Dig into Geronimo. There are probably lots of interesting things to learn about him that the study guide does not cover. Spend a day on Geronimo or spend a week! The pace you take for the lapbook is completely up to you. When your child has completed studying that particular topic, it will be time to do the mini-booklet for that topic. The mini-booklet patterns are found right after the study guide page that it goes with. Or, your child might want to do the mini-booklet before he/she delves deeper into the subject. Once again, the order is completely up to you and your child.

Choice #2- Read only the study guide page and do the mini-booklet that goes with it. The mini-booklet patterns are found right after the study guide page that it goes with. You may choose to do one study guide/mini-booklet per day, two per day, two per week, three per week, etc. It doesn't matter. The pace is completely up to you. At one per day, it will take about a month to complete a 3 folder lapbook.

## How to fold and connect the folders for your lapbook.



1. Gather the number of folders required for your particular lapbook.



2. Open up each folder and flatten it out.



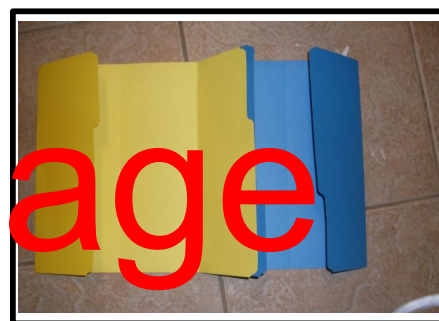
3. Take the right side and fold it all the way over until the tab is just before the middle crease in the folder. Do not overlap this crease with the tab.



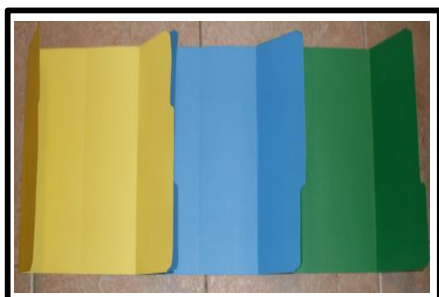
4. Fold the left hand-side over just to the crease but not overlapping it. Your folder now has two flaps. We like to run a ruler down each fold to make the fold neater and flatter. Do steps 3 and 4 to the remaining folders.



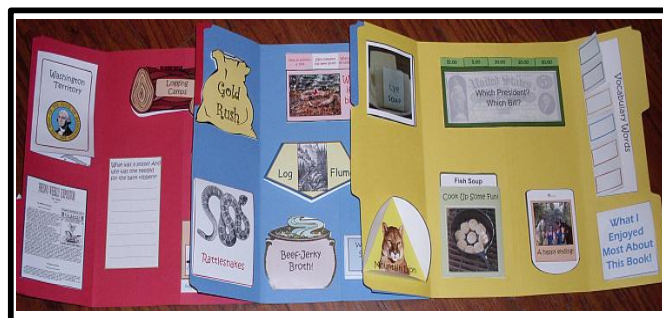
5. Take two of the folders and apply a generous amount of glue to their flaps. We recommend using Zip Dry Paper Glue.



6. Bring the flaps together and press so they stick together.



7. Do steps 5 and 6 to your remaining folders (if any).



8. The patterns for all the mini-booklets are provided. Just cut out, construct, and glue them into your lapbook. Refer to the color-coded placement page or the actual mini-booklet page for placement of each mini-booklet.

## Can I store all of my lapbooks in ONE location?

Yes! A Journey Through Learning has come up with a way that you can store all of your lapbooks from your books in ONE convenient location. A 3-ring binder serves as a great place to keep your lapbooks. This method of storage not only keeps your lapbooks from getting lost but also keeps them neat and readily available to show to dad, grandparents, friends, etc. When they are not being shown off, just place the binder on your bookshelf! On the next page, we have given you step-by-step directions (with pictures) of how to create a storage binder.

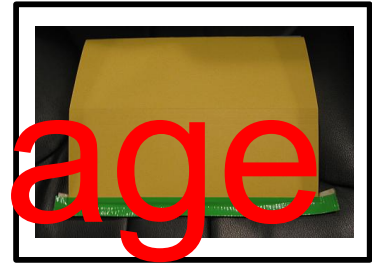
## How to make a storage system for your lapbook(s)



Roll out enough duct tape to go across the folders lengthwise.



Put duct tape sticky side up. Place binded edge of lapbook on the duct tape (no more than  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch!).



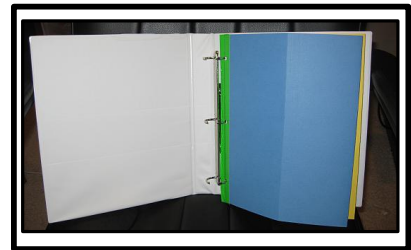
Then stick duct tape to the other side again about  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch. There will need to be enough tape to hole punch.



Stick duct tape into hole puncher but be careful not to punch holes in your folders.



It will look like this.



Store folders in 3-ring binder.

## Folder 1

Where Is My Cage?	What Color Am I?	Matching	Which Item Does Not Belong
	Which Is Bigger?		Dot-to-Dot

## Folder 2

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Matching	Who Am I?	My Favorite Animal
	I Can Write	

Complete the picture- Draw your favorite animal inside of the “cage.” When you are done, add the bars on the cage. Cut out picture around dotted lines. Glue picture to front of closed lapbook.

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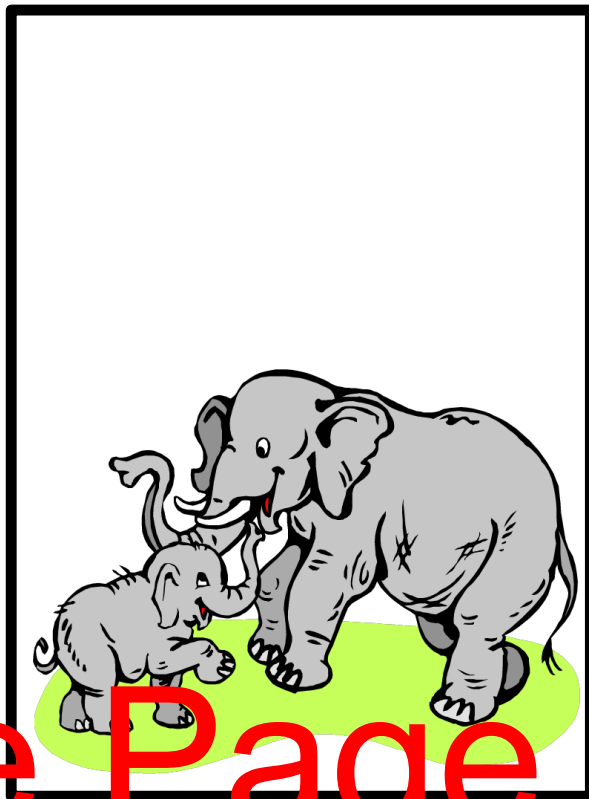
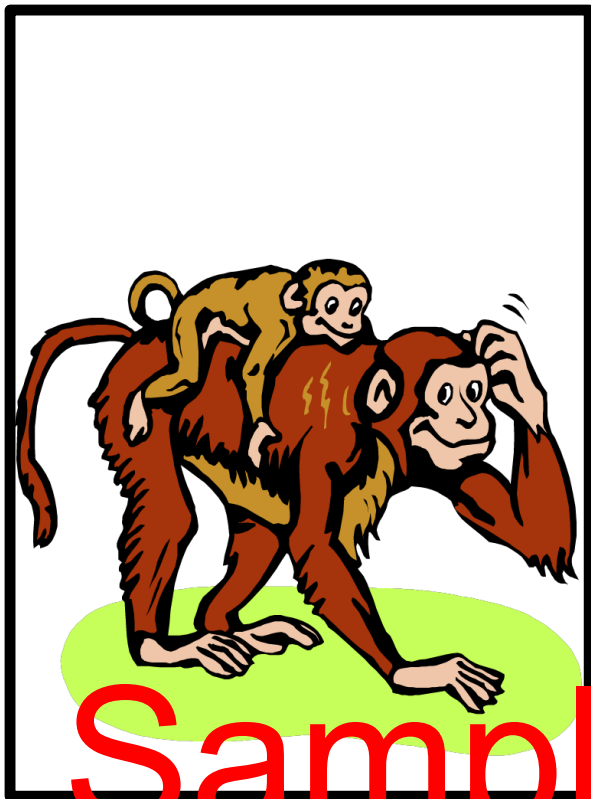
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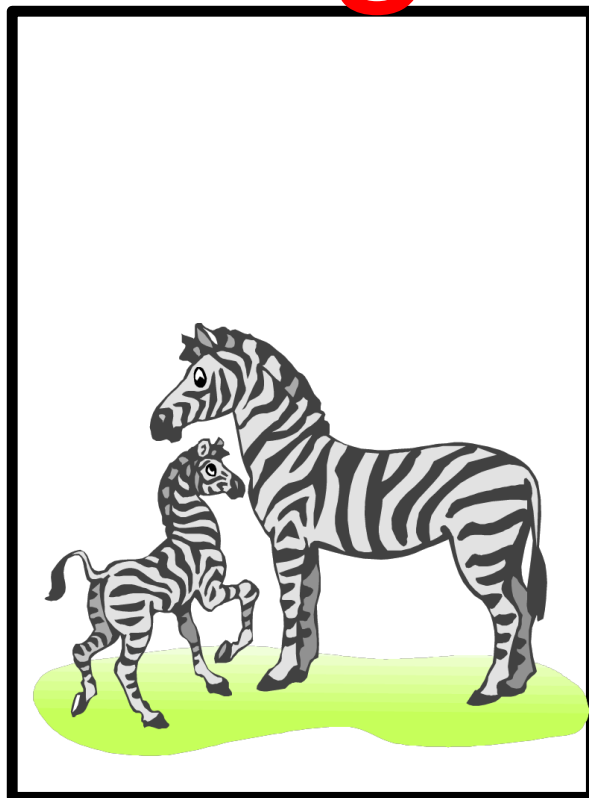
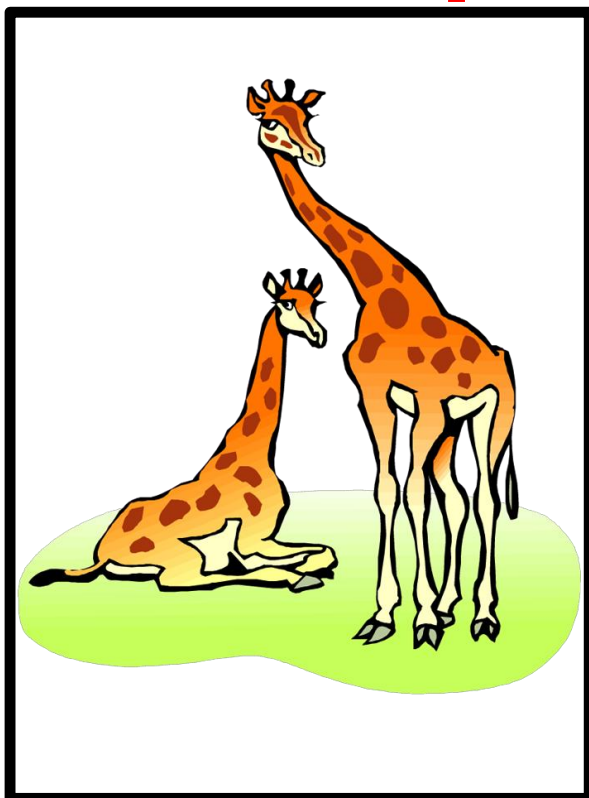
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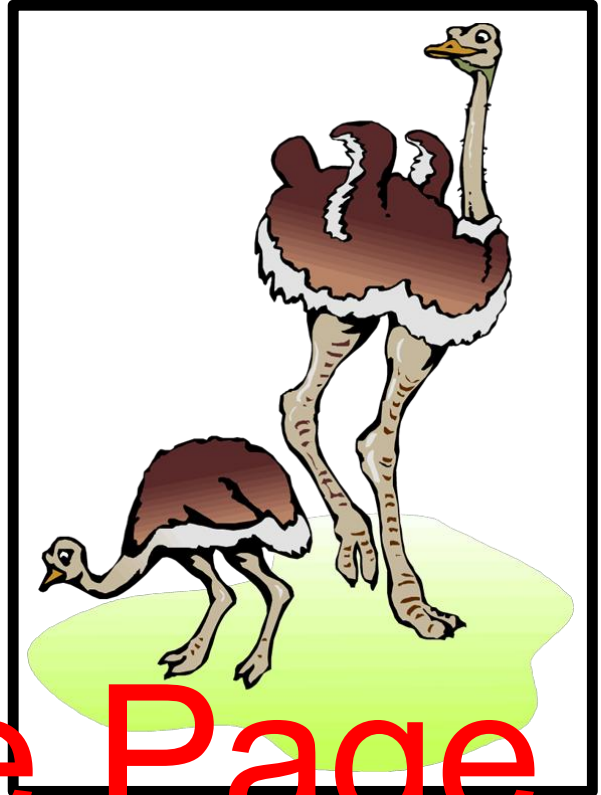
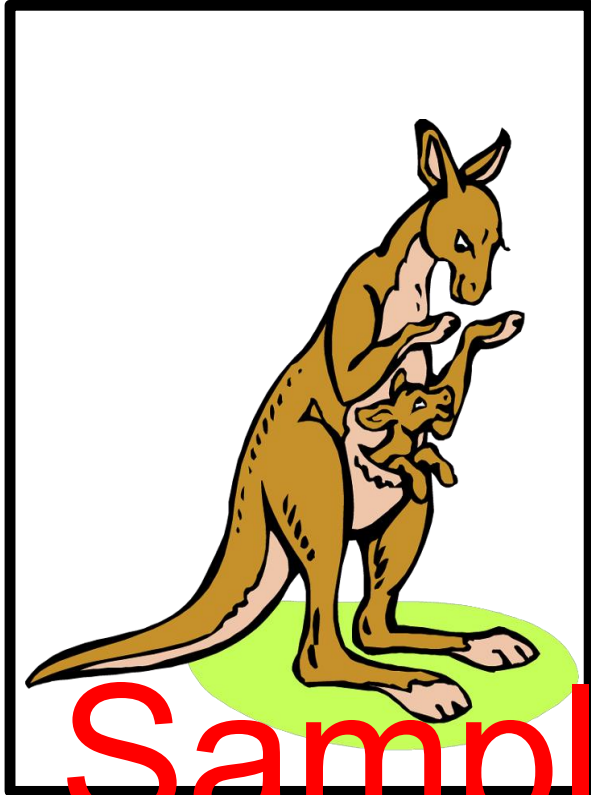
1. Ask your children if they have ever seen the animal before. Where have they seen it?
2. Ask your child if they have ever touched the animal. What did it feel like?
3. What type of habitat does it live in? Is it a nocturnal animal? Does it hibernate?
4. Can the animal be kept as a pet? If not, why?
5. What color is the animal? Does it change colors? Does it have fur or skin? Does it shed its skin?
6. What does the animal eat?

Cut out each square and laminate. Then, glue to a popsicle stick. Use as a puppet as you learn about the different animals.

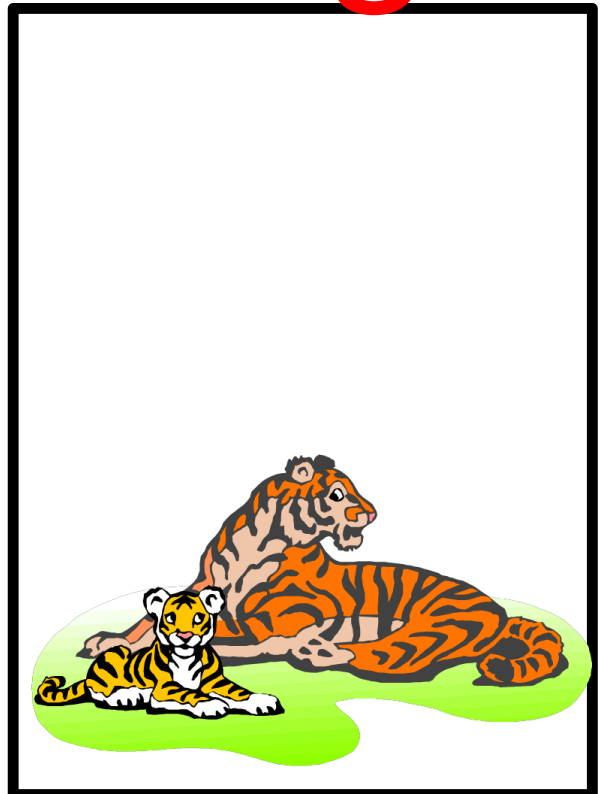
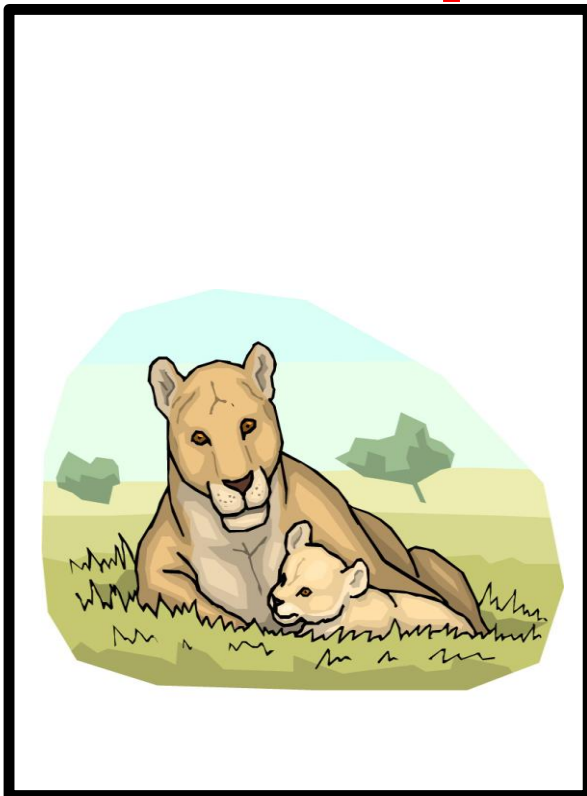


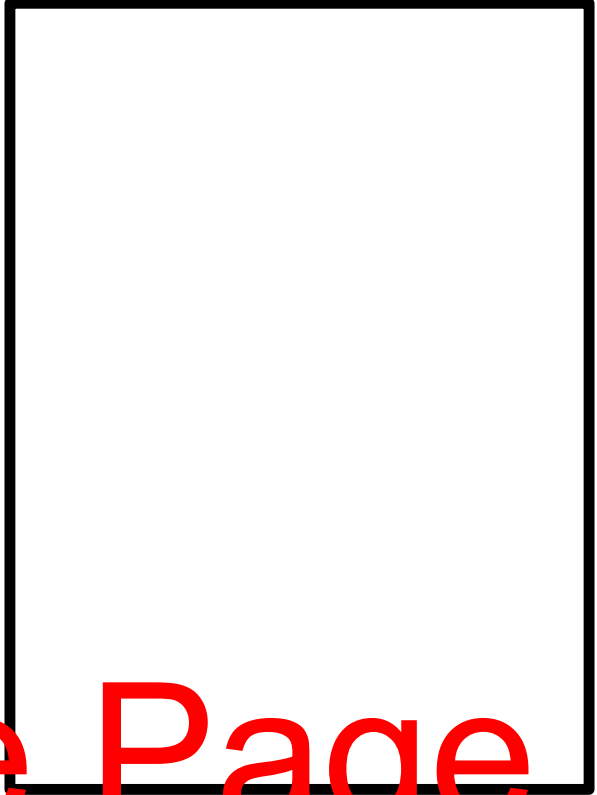
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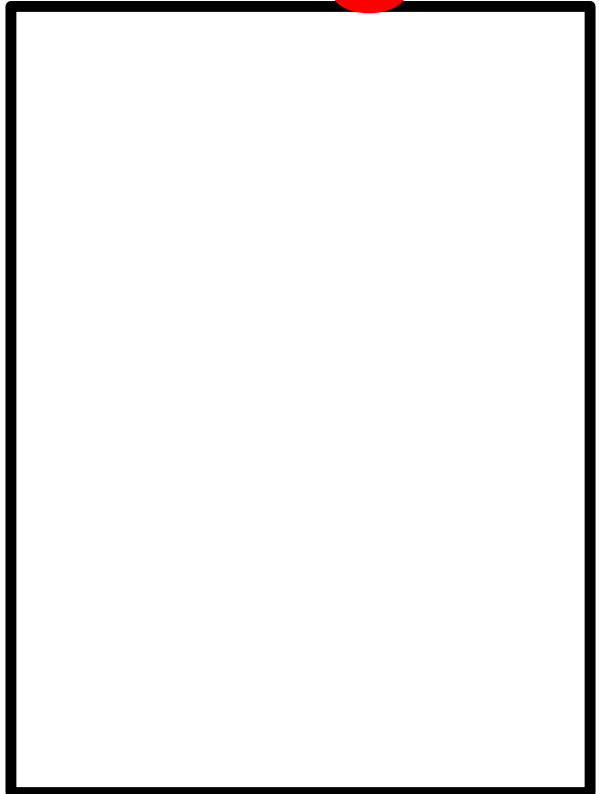
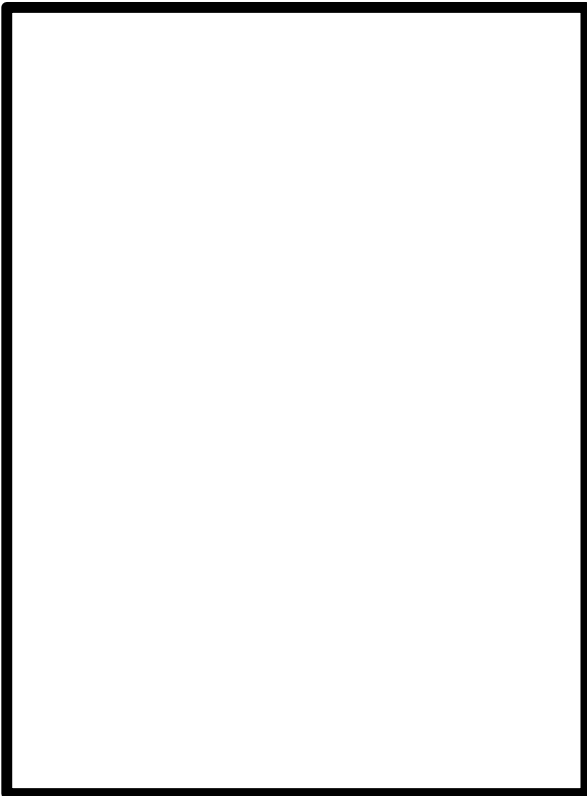


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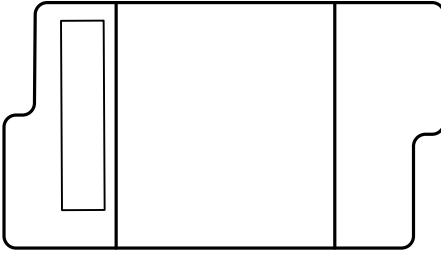




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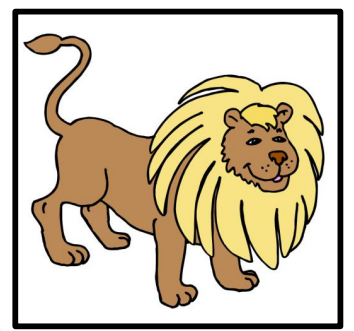
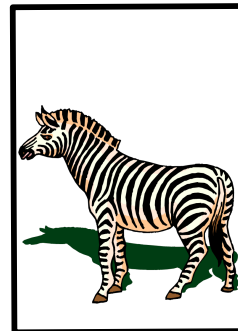
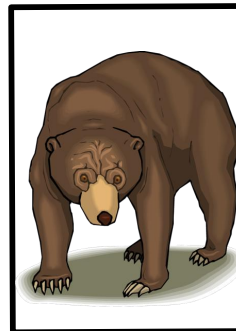
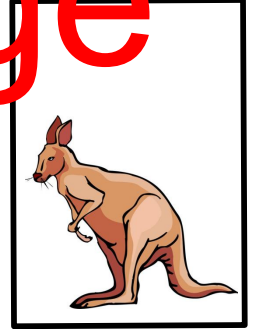
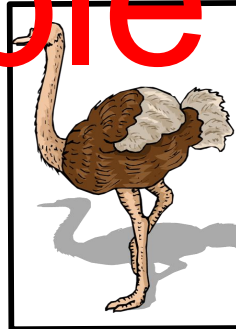
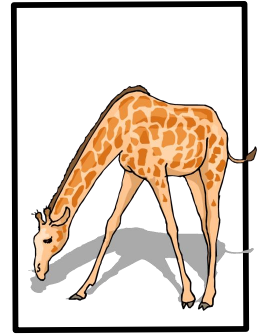
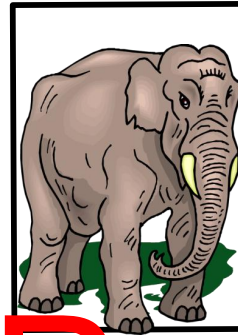
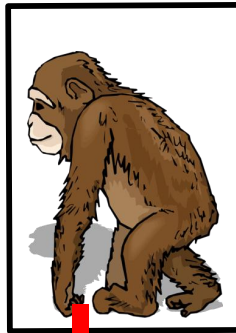


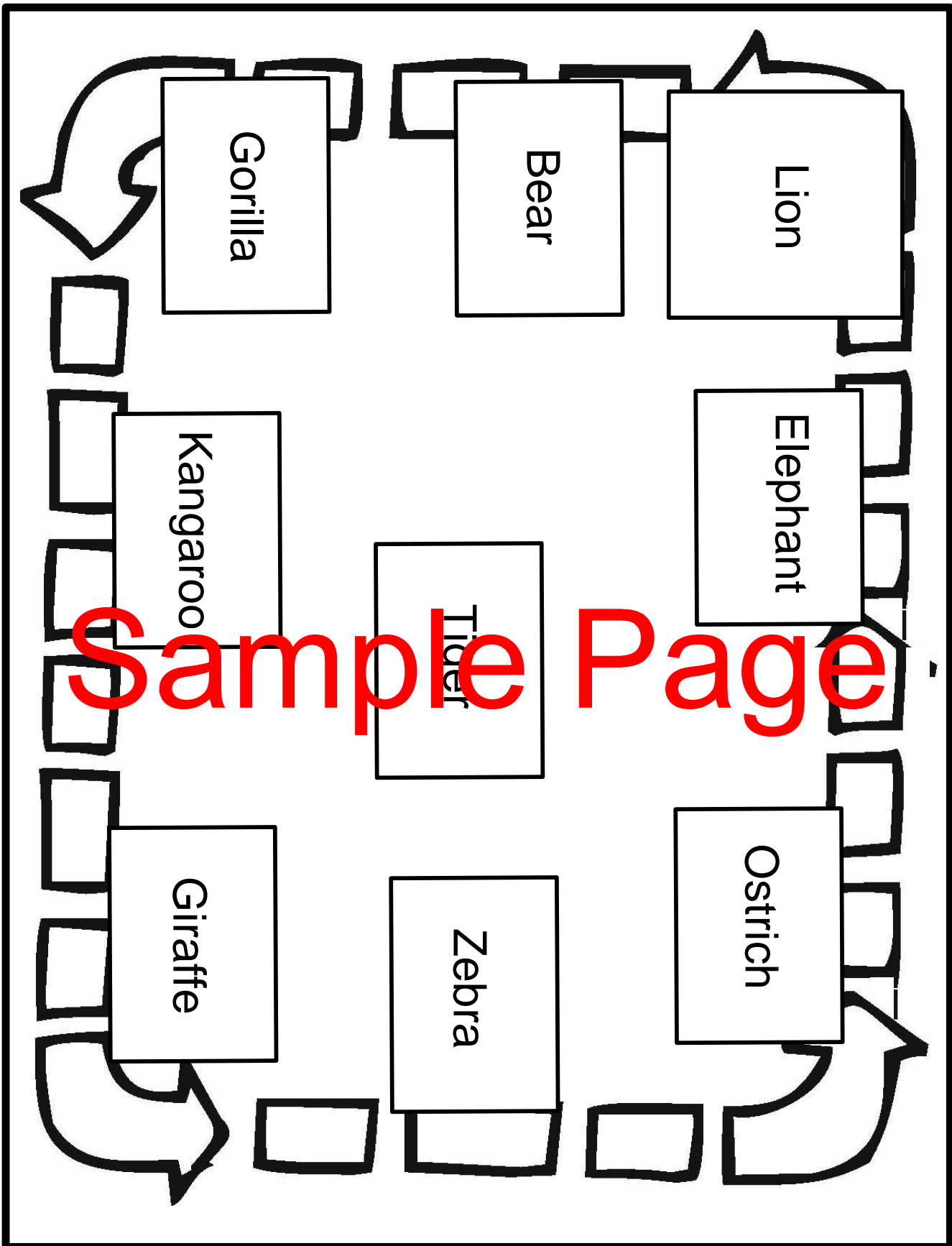
Cut out the map of the city on the next page. Fold in half and glue into lapbook. Cut out the cover and glue on the front of the booklet. Cut out the animals.

**Directions:** Place the animal in their correct cage.

Cover label

Can  
You  
Find  
My  
Cage?





Gorilla

Bear

Lion

Elephant

Kangaroo

Tiger

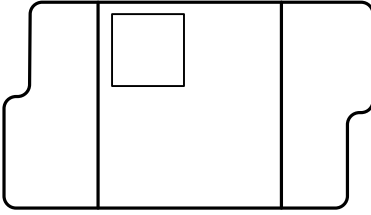
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Giraffe

Ostrich

Zebra

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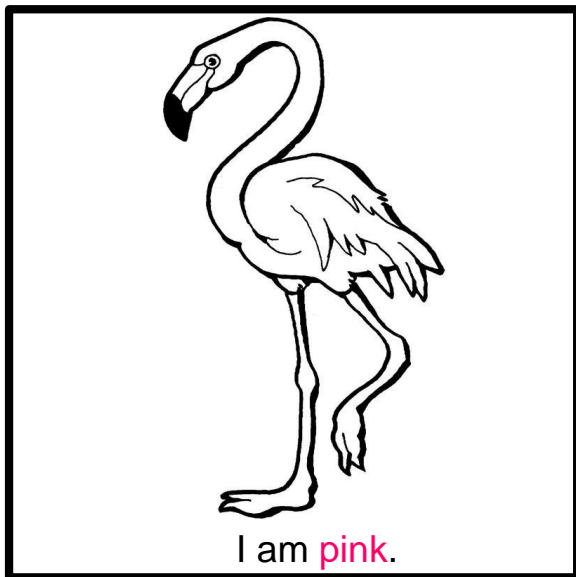
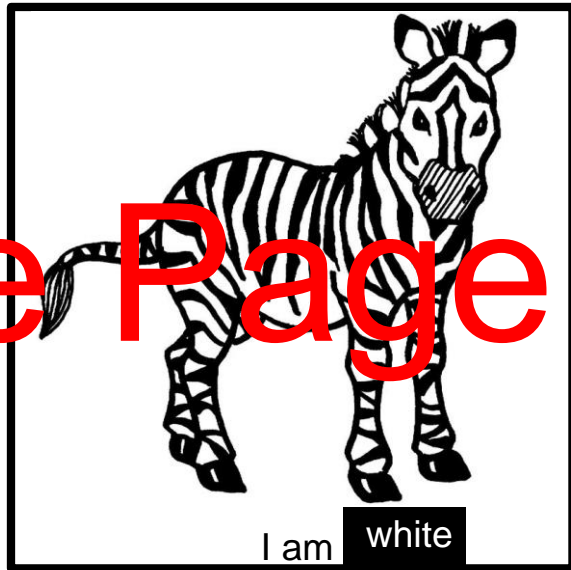
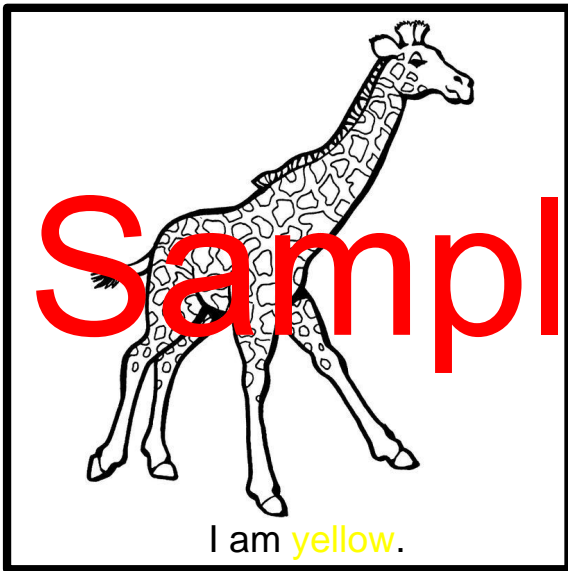
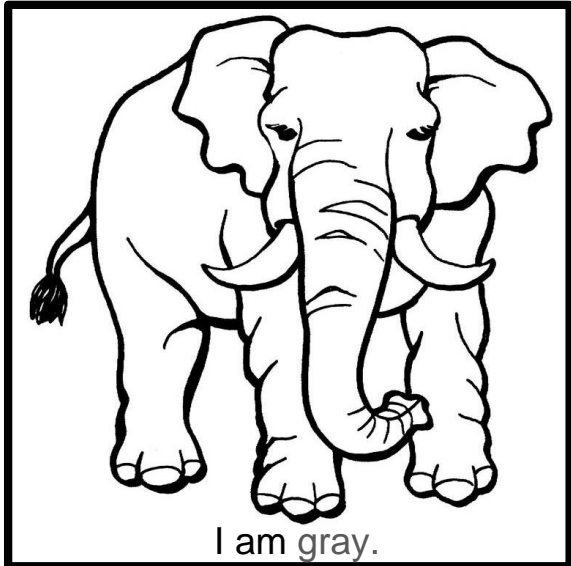
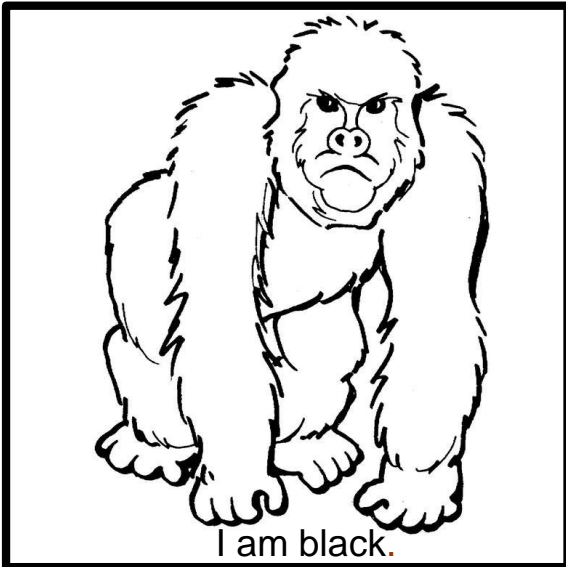


Cut out the booklet as one piece. Fold bottom square back on the middle line and then fold back the two flaps. Glue the flaps down to form a pocket. Glue into lapbook.

**Directions:** Cut out the squares on the next two pages. Color the cards. Use the cards to learn the names of the animals and their color. Store the squares in the pocket.

Glue flap down	<h1>What Color Am I?</h1>	Glue flap down

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