

Animal Snacks

Can you roll the die to feed the animal?

Skills to Develop

- + Number identification
- + Counting
- + Mathematical thinking

Materials

- + Animal toys
- + Paper
- + Pencil
- Playdough
- + Die

WHAT TO DO

During the Learning Activity

- 1. Using the paper, label the animal toys with numbers 1-6 to match the die you chose. Discuss the numbers. Ask: what number is this? What does it look like on the die?
- 2. Invite your child to discuss what they know about each animal and what each animal eats. Ask: what do you know about this animal? Where does it live? What does it eat?
- **3.** Invite your child to create a small version of each animal's food out of playdough (ie. leaves, kibble, or insects). Place this snack example next to each animal's number.
- **4.** Invite your child to roll the die and identify an animal to feed. Roll the die a second time to decide how many snacks to feed the animal. For example, if you roll a five create five snacks out of playdough to feed that animal.
- **5.** Continue rolling and making snacks until you have fed all the animals or your child is tired of playing.

Extend the Fun

- + Play again with different animals to feed.
- + Pretend play at being zookeepers or pet owners and build each animal a home.

