

HABITAT BUILD

The Talmud teaches that every creature has a purpose and we can learn lessons from observing them, such as “modesty from watching a cat, honesty from an ant, and loyalty from the dove” (Babylonian Talmud, Eruvin 100b). Get to know some of the local creatures and critters and to learn about how they live and how we can make welcoming homes for our non-human friends!

DURATION 20 minutes
AUDIENCE 4 years +
SETTING Outdoors
THEME Habitats

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1. Decide on an animal you want to build a habitat for. Some of our favourites are salamanders, frogs, bats, coyotes, chipmunks.
2. Think about what your animal needs to survive: food, water, and shelter. Every animal needs different kinds of food and shelter and where they live is called their habitat! You may want to do some research about your animal using a Guide Book or the internet.
3. Gather materials you can find in the area.
4. Build a mini habitat for your creature! Remember food, water, shelter, fun...
5. Give a tour of the habitats you built to each other, explaining what kind of animal it is for, and what features it includes.

MATERIALS

- Device with internet connection or local Field Guide Book



We'd love to see pictures of your habitats! Tag us on social media @ShoreshtO.

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