

Lesson 4 My Own Animal

When you write stories, you use your imagination to describe people, animals, places, and events.

Create your own made-up animal. It can be anything!

Draw a picture of your animal in the box.



Complete the sentences. Describe your animal.

My animal is the color _____.

My animal has _____ legs.

My animal likes to eat _____.

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When you write stories, you use your senses to describe people, animals, places, and events. The five senses are seeing, hearing, touching, smelling, and tasting.

Complete the sentences with describing words.

My animal looks _____ and _____.

My animal sounds _____ and _____.

My animal feels _____ and _____.

My animal smells _____ and _____.

Draw a star beside the describing words you like best.

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Now, think of a name for your animal and write it below.

What does your animal do each day? Write three things your animal does.

1.

2.

3.

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Use ideas you wrote on the last three pages. Write a story about your animal. Describe it. Tell what it does.

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid blue top and bottom lines and a dashed red middle line. A large, light gray watermark reading "SAMPLE" is oriented diagonally across the page.

Did I do a good job describing my animal?

Does each sentence begin with an uppercase letter?

Does each sentence end with an end mark?

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Ask a friend or adult to read what you wrote on page 54. Can the reader “see” your animal? Does he or she have any questions? Does he or she have ideas for making your writing better?

Rewrite what you wrote on page 54. Add a title. Answer your reader’s questions. Use more describing words. Make your writing better.

Draw a picture to illustrate your writing. Share your picture and your writing with someone special.