

# ***World of Wonder***

## **Educational Standards and Suggested Activities**

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### **Standards**

- Current Events: Students will find stories about social behavior in the newspaper.
- Science: Students will compare monkeys and great apes.
- Social Studies: Students will report on Borneo and Sumatra.

### **Activities**

1. Use the News: Orangutans are not social animals. They live alone most of their lives. What examples of social behavior can you find in the newspaper? Who works together in groups? Who works alone? Read your newspaper for this type of information and share what you find with the class.
2. Orangutans are classified as great apes, not monkeys. What is the difference between an ape and a monkey? Research and report on your findings.
3. Wild orangutans live only in Borneo and Sumatra. Where are these places? What are they like? Learn about one of the two islands and write a brief description of its people, animals, plants, etc.

*World of Wonder* meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade.