

Uses and Homes of Animals

Animals are a very important part of our world. They not only make our Earth beautiful but also help us in many ways. To understand them better, we need to know about their **homes** and the **uses** they have in our life.

Homes of Animals

Every animal has a special place called its **home**. These homes protect the animals and help them live safely.

- **Birds** live in nests. Some nests are made with twigs, leaves, and grass usually found on trees.
- **Bees** live in hives. They make hives using wax that they produce.
- **Rabbits** make burrows in the ground. These tunnels keep them safe from danger.
- **Fish** live in water bodies like rivers, lakes, and oceans.
- **Elephants** do not have a fixed home but stay in forests or grasslands.

“An animal’s home is its shelter and comfort. Protecting animal homes means protecting animals themselves.”

Uses of Animals

Animals help human beings and the environment in many ways. Here are some examples of how animals are useful to us:

- **Cows and Buffaloes** give us milk, which we drink and use to make butter, cheese, and yogurt.
- **Horses and Elephants** help us by carrying heavy loads and helping in farming or moving around in many places.
- **Honeybees** produce honey, which is sweet and healthy to eat.
- **Sheep** provide wool which is used to make warm clothes.
- **Dogs** help us by guarding our homes and can also help people in many important tasks.

Did You Know?

The silk worm produces silk, which we use to make beautiful clothes called silk garments. It lives in a cocoon, which is its tiny home made from silk threads!

Exercise: Let's Think and Write

1. Name 3 animals and their homes.
2. List 2 animals that help humans and tell how they help.
3. Why do you think it is important to keep animal homes safe?

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