

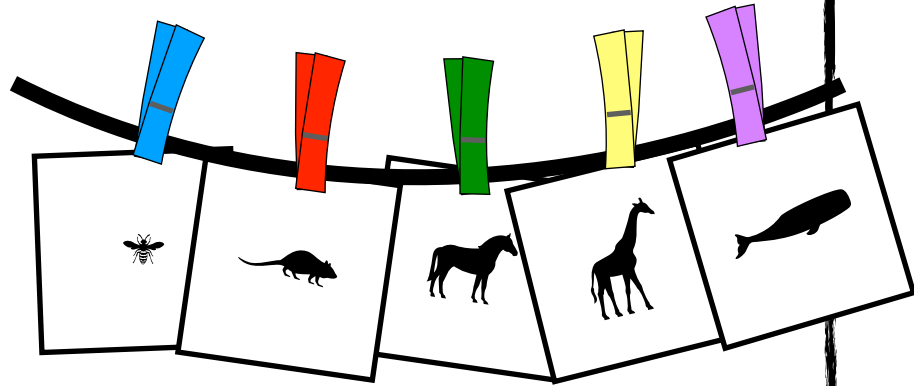
# Big, Bigger, Biggest

**Goal:** To compare and order animals by characteristic.

This is an activity for up to three people.

**You will need:**

- A clothesline
- Five clothes pins
- Copies of the information cards (print 2 sided or make your own cards)



**What to do:**

- Using the information on each of 5 cards, work as a group to choose one attribute and order the cards from smallest to largest (or fewest to most etc.) and pin the cards on the clothesline in order. Record your results in a notebook.
- Then, using the same five cards, choose another attribute and order them on the clothesline again. Record your results in the notebook. Is the order different this time? Why or why not?

**To think about:**

There are many ways to play with this activity. Here are some suggestions, or make up your own!

- Make new information cards by researching different animals or vehicles. Some information can be found in the book *Biggest, Strongest, Fastest*.
- Guess the order of one attribute for five animals and then check to see if you were correct.
- Many animal species have a wide range of characteristics. For example dogs vary in size. Pick five different dog breeds to research and create information cards for each one. Then put the cards in order by one of the characteristics. What do you notice, what do you wonder? (Why don't domestic cats vary in size as much as domestic dogs do?)

