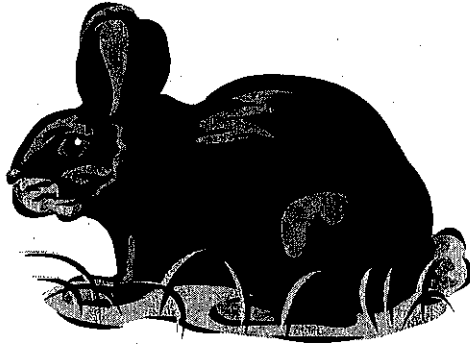


RABBITS



Go to your public, school, and classroom libraries and check your home for any books about rabbits. Collect all the different materials you can on this topic and bring them to school. Read and research all you can on rabbits. Keep a bibliography on all the books you read and record them on your "Rabbit Reading" chart.

Make a chart that compares three different breeds of rabbits. Some categories to consider are: size, eating habits, coloration.

Create a diagram describing the life cycle of a rabbit. Illustrate how they look at each stage of development.

Build a wild rabbit habitat. Make a cut-a-way model so the inside of the burrow is visible.

Visit a meadow where rabbits live. Sit quietly and observe. Create a field guide sheet with your observations.

Read (or have someone read to you) *Rabbit Spring* or *Rabbit Hill*. What is it like to see the world from the point of view of a rabbit?

Many fiction books use rabbits as the main character. Write your own fiction story with a rabbit as the main character. Make a stuffed animal or puppet of the main character to go with your book.



Plan to visit and interview someone who raises and breeds rabbits. Some things to inquire about would be:

- What are the ideal conditions needed to raise rabbits?
- What supplies and materials are needed?
- How much time and money does it take to raise rabbits?

Make a graph that shows how fast a rabbit runs compared to four other animals of your choosing.

Make a giant rabbit shaped poster showing the skeletal structure, muscles, digestive and respiratory systems of rabbits. (You may decide to do different overlays or posters so that each system is clearly visible to the observer.)

Find out about rabbit rescue organizations. See if there is a way that you can help support the work of one of these organizations. Perhaps you could donate time to play with the rabbits, build a hutch, help clean cages, or donate money for food and long term care.

