Date: Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May 2020	
Activity Title: My Jungle Observational Drawing	
Learning Intention: To sometimes give meaning to marks as they paint or draw.  Links to EYFS: Literacy	Activity Overview: Your child will describe what they can see and then draw/paint a jungle animal.
<ul> <li>Resources:</li> <li>Jungle animal of choice. (Use a picture from a book, a toy, or research image on internet etc.)</li> <li>Paint/ paintbrushes /colouring pencils/ crayons</li> <li>Paper</li> </ul>	Key vocabulary: Describe, look, see, copy, create, draw, animal, jungle, dark, light, colours.

### **ACTIVITY IMPLEMENTATION (including key questions)**

#### Introduction:

- Ask your child what their favourite jungle animal is. Then support him/her with finding a toy version in your house or researching an image of their chosen animal on the internet.
- What are you are holding/looking at?
- Where can you find this animal? What noise does it make? What colour is it?

Use the opportunity to let your child describe what they can see. Talk about the colours and the features of the jungle animal.

## **Main Activity:**

- Place the chosen item in front of your child.
- Explain that they are going to be painting or drawing what they have just observed/spoken about.
- Model the activity, by drawing/painting an animal of your choice 'I am going to choose this colour first to paint a circle, because this bit is round'.
- Encourage your child to then paint/draw what they can see in as much detail as possible. Talk about specific features e.g.
- Where do the eyes go?
- What shape is the face?
- Does your animal have any patterns on it?

## **Activity Review:**

- Invite your child to describe his/her picture when they have completed it.
- Can you describe what you have just drawn?
- Is there anything else you would like to add to your painting?
- If you were going to paint it again, would you do anything differently?

# Additional ways to support your child:

To support your child with mark making, give them larger resources to work with. For example, use a3 paper or stick two pieces of a4 paper together. Encourage them to use a larger paintbrush or a chunkier pencil.

## **Extension:**

Invite your child to consider what letter sound their chosen animal begins with. Challenge him/her to have a go at forming the initial letter or write the letter in yellow/highlighter and invite them to trace over it.

