



Learning objective: To use drawing to record observations.

The drawings made for this activity will be used for the game in the next activity.

You will need:

- A sheet of paper or card (not your River Journal)
- Coloured pencils or other drawing materials
- Pictures of your chosen animal to inspire you

Your sheet should look like this but with lovely hand drawn pictures instead!
You can choose to just draw the animal or include a background.

Instructions:

1 Divide your sheet of paper into 8 boxes by folding it in half, in half again and in half again.











2 Write the name of the river animals at the top of each box. See the example.



3 Find a picture of each animal on the internet and draw what you see. Include as much detail as you can.



4 Once you have a picture for every box, put your sheet somewhere safe ready to be used for the next activity.

Banded Damselfly 	Ruddy Darter Dragonfly 	Water Vole 	Otter 
Kingfisher 	Grey Heron 	Eel 	Roach 

EXTRA: Photograph one of your drawings and ask an adult to post it on our [Facebook group](#).



Support

Use other people's drawings for inspiration. Type the name of the animal and 'drawing' in the search box when looking for images.

Challenge

Use different materials for your pictures. Try a pen drawing - using just one coloured pen, or charcoal, pastels, coloured pencils, felt tips - whatever art supplies you can find at home!