Animal Care

Taster Session

Animal Enrichment....

- In captivity, food and water is supplied, territory is already secured and safe, social groupings are usually fairly stable, there are no predators and quite often mates are selected for them.
- With all the extra free time, the animal will have a need for new and entertaining or challenging activities. That is where the role of enrichment comes in.

What does enrichment mean?...

- 1. Helps exhibit natural behaviours.
- 2. Helps pets stay active and mentally stimulated.

This can be in the form of...

- Food
- Sensory
- Social







Your turn...

- 1. You are to create a piece of enrichment for a pet animal at home (if you do not have a pet then make it for a friend/families pet)
- 2. It must only be made from things you already have in your house (try digging through your recycling bin)
- 3. And then create a poster/video advert trying to sell your piece of enrichment. You need to talk about:
 - W hat enrichment is,
 - W hy it is important for animals to have enrichment
 - W hat animal your enrichment is for
 - W hat enrichment does it give the animal go to next slide for some ideas

Websites to help

https://www.bluecross.org.uk/sites/default/files/downloads/Enrichment%20Toys%20for%20Pets.p df

https://www.pinterest.co.uk/stale_cheerios/environmental-enrichment-ideas-foranimals/?autologin=true

http:// www.animalenrichment.org/spider

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How to submit

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