

Tips for Writing Factual Reports

- Write in the present tense:

Wolves have between 4 and 6 cubs. 

Not Wolves had between 4 and 6 cubs. 

(otherwise it sounds like your animal is extinct)

- Make each area of your plan into a paragraph – the introduction and ending can be short.
- If your paragraph is about food and hunting, make sure facts about other things don't creep in.
- Stick to facts e.g. The cubs feed on their mother's milk
Not The cubs are so cute and cuddly.
- Conjunctions like **if, when, although, because, after, before, while and unless** will help you write longer, more detailed sentences.
- If you want to talk about your animal, but have used the word panda lots of times then try to use alternatives: these animals, this bear, these giant mammals etc.
- Pick any wild animal that you are interested in, but check that there is plenty of information available. For inspiration look **at**: <https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/category/discover/animals>