

CAREER PROFILE:

Zoo Vet

What skills you need to do your job	You need to love animals and be good at science. You also need lead with clear instructions, work well in a team and stay calm so you can solve difficult medical problems.
What do you love about your job?	I love knowing that my job helps protect endangered species by helping animals to stay healthy.
What's hard about your job?	Sometimes animals are very poorly and that can be difficult. The job can also be muddy, cold and very busy. Some of the animals are also very big and heavy, some are very tiny!
Any tools you need for your job:	Tools like a stethoscope to listen to heartbeats and machines like X-rays to see inside an animal's body. Also scales to weigh animals and give them the right medicine.
Why your job matters for wildlife:	My job helps keep animals healthy. Healthy animals can help save their species from extinction. We also share what we learn to help protect animals in the wild.
Interesting fact about your job:	Some animals are trained to take part in their own health checks.
What subjects you enjoyed at school:	Learning science and biology really helped me understand animals. Maths helps when measuring medicine correctly and writing helps me record important animal information.



Top tip for working with wildlife: Be curious and ask lots of questions. Work hard in science and never give up on your dream of helping animals.