

Information Book Award 2019: Category 7–12

Joan Procter, Dragon Doctor by Patricia Valdez

English

- Biography on Joan Procter
- Description of an animal which interests them
- Leaflet on a zoo (persuasion)
- Newspaper report about Joan Procter opening the new reptile house
- Diary writing – what would Joan Procter have written in her diary over a week?
- Write an argument for and against zoos
- Discuss whether animals should be kept in enclosures

Maths

- Measure, compare, add and subtract: lengths (m, cm, mm) of different animals
- Measure the perimeter of animal homes/enclosures
- Work out costing for a class or family to visit a zoo

Science

- Animal habitats
- Compare teeth of carnivores and herbivores
- Food chains, identifying producers, predators and prey
- Compare different animal skeletons
- Life cycles of different animals – mammals, reptiles, birds, insects
- Classify animals – vertebrates and invertebrates

History/Geography

- The changing role of women during the wars
- A timeline of main historical events that occurred during Joan Procter's life
- The history of London, particularly London Zoo
- Compare London to Indonesia

RE/PSHE

- Compare creation stories to the beliefs of Charles Darwin and his theory of evolution

- Cruelty to animals
- Support a local animal charity
- Discuss why people become vegans

Art and D.T.

- Design and make a new home for your favourite animal
- Look at patterns in animal skins
- Create a collage using fabrics and textures of animal skins
- Study the art of Henri Rousseau who depicted animals in their natural environment

ICT

- Create a surrealist style piece of artwork by combining parts of different images
- Plan a film using either tablets or digital cameras. Pupil will record a music video, videoing a visit to the local nature reserve or zoo and then editing it, in the style of David Attenborough

Music/Dance

- Use Carnival of the Animals to create music and dance for a performance

Wow Experience

- Visit a local zoo or London Zoo
- West Midlands Safari Park
- National History Museum
- Art Gallery