

Neighborhood Safari	
Objective	The students will be divided into groups and will learn how to use Facebook Chat by chatting with a corresponding group from another class. Each group will observe the animals they see in their neighborhood. They will then record each animal and the number of times they see it in a one-week period. The groups will chat with a corresponding group in another class and compare answers.
Learning Environment	The students will work in groups at a lab computer. They will use Facebook Chat through Facebook on the internet.
Types of Students	The students will be in elementary school and specifically grades 1-3.
Standards	Science (The Nature and Science of Technology): 1.1 Science (The Living Environment): 1.4
Materials	Lab computer with internet access, Facebook Chat, group members, and observation record sheet.
Procedures	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The teacher will sign each student up for a Facebook profile. Each student will be assigned a group to work with. Then, this group will be assigned a corresponding group from another class to work with. 2. Go through the Facebook website and instruct the students on how to use Facebook Chat. 3. Explain to students that they will observe the animals in their neighborhoods and will record the animals they see and how many they see in a one-week time period. They will record on their observation sheets and there must be a minimum of three animals. Also, explain the importance of not disturbing the animals in their habitats, but rather to just watch. 4. In the classroom, the students will compile their findings and create a chart to show them. They will then use Facebook Chat as a group to chat with their group from the other class. They will talk about the different animals that they saw.
Application	After learning how to use Facebook Chat, the students will use the program to chat with their group members and to compare their findings of the animals in their neighborhoods.
Evaluation	<p>The students will be graded on the following.</p> <p>Observation sheet (minimum of 3 animals) = 10 points Chat with other group (done in class) = 10 points</p> <p>Total=20 points</p>