# Elementary Education Lesson Plan

## Exploring Animals

### Overview
Students will learn about animals by choosing and writing about one. They will include this information and import pictures on Windows Live Writer.

### Objective
Given an animal or plant, the student will post several pictures and information about the animal they are assigned onto Windows Live Writer. Through this process of creating a blog that everyone can see and learn from, the students will correctly describe the characteristics and identify pictures of the animal without making errors.

### Standards
- 4.2.6: Support statements with facts found in print and electronic media, identify the sources used, and expect others to do the same.
- K.4.1: Give examples of plants and animals.
- 1.2.7: Write brief informational descriptions of a real object, person, place, or event using information from observations.

### Material
- Windows Live Writer
- Computer with Internet access

### Procedure
- Greet students and ask them to pick a computer and sit by it
- Show them how to set up an account and work Windows Live Writer
- Assign the students an animal
  - Instruct them to put pictures on the blog
  - Instruct them to write out characteristics of the animal
  - Instruct them to identify the sources they used by copy and pasting the link onto their page
- Ask the students to look at a partner's finished page

### Evaluation
- 5 points for completing assignment with both pictures and graphics
- 3 points for completing either pictures or graphics
- 0 points for not completing anything