

THE  
NOTEBOOK  
OF  
BEASTS







### *The Notebook of Beasts*

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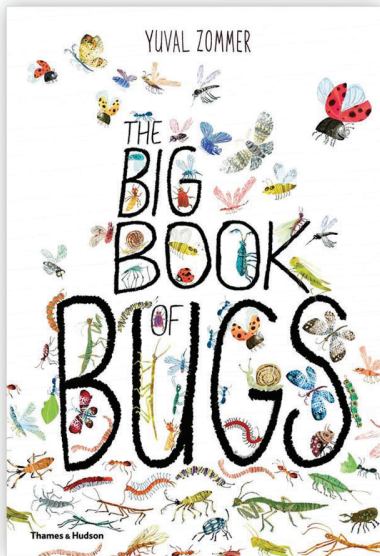
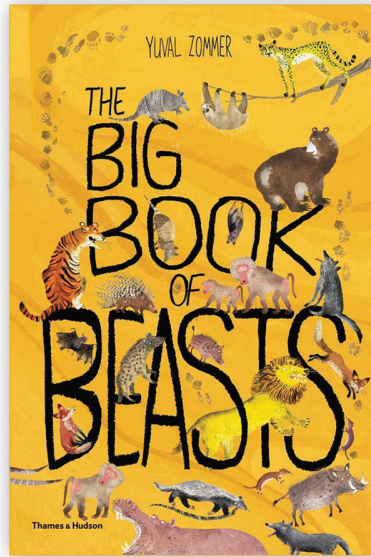
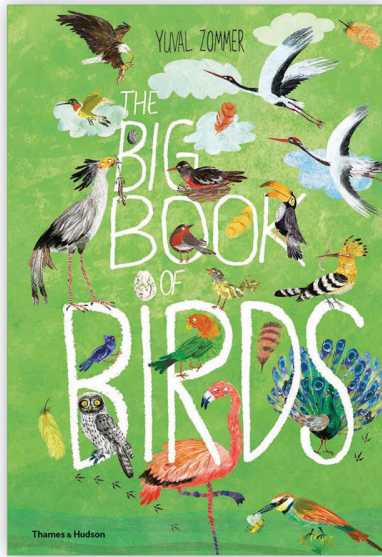
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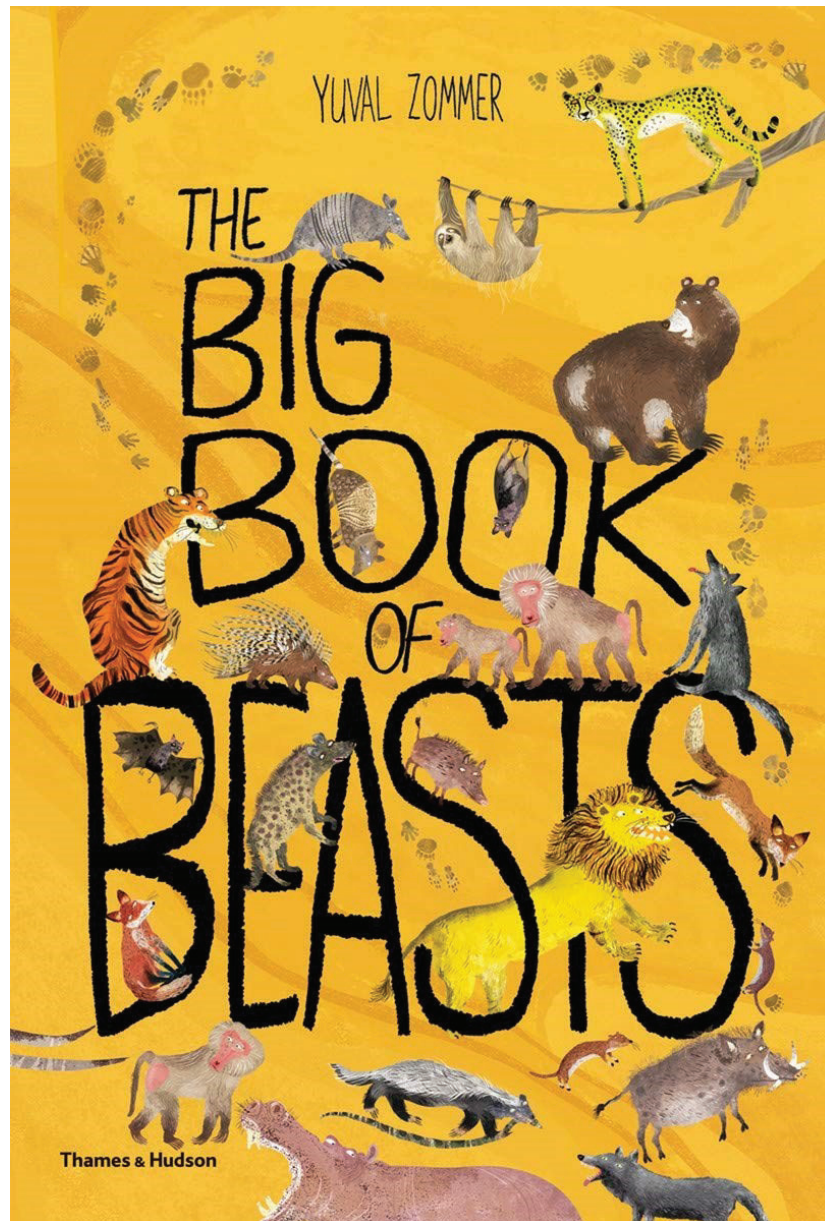


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**Required Book: *The Big Book of Beasts*, Yuval Zommer**



In *The Big Book of Beasts* Yuval Zommer’s wonderful illustrations bring to whimsical life some of the grizzliest, hairiest, bravest, wiliest, and most fearsome beasts in the animal kingdom. Brimming with interesting facts from beast consultant Barbara Taylor, this charming picture book is a beautiful way for parents to introduce young children to the animal world—and for older children to learn by themselves. [Read more.](#)



## Introduction

Mammals include some of the animals we are the most familiar with, but how much do you really know about mammals? This is your chance to find out (and learn some cool new things at the same time). Since lots of families enjoy studying animals in their homeschool lessons, we're excited that Thames & Hudson Ltd has given us permission to offer you *The Notebook of Beasts*.

*The Notebook of Beasts* is intended to be a self-paced notebooking journal that gives you a chance to record the fascinating facts you learn. As you read through *The Big Book of Beasts*, have *The Notebook of Beasts* handy so you can follow along. You'll have the chance to draw, sketch, label, and much more as you work through both books together!

## Beastly Families

Read pages 6-7 of *The Big Book of Beasts* and answer the questions with what you learned.

In this book, what makes a mammal a beast? \_\_\_\_\_

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All mammals have what in common? \_\_\_\_\_

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What 7 groups of beasts are named?

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 5. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 7. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

Write the facts you learned about each group of beasts.

Primates	
Types of Animals	Fun Facts

## Claws & Jaws

Read pages 8-9 of *The Big Book of Beasts* and answer the questions with what you learned.

What are some ways beasts use their claws and jaws? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does a cheetah use its claws for? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does an anteater use its claws for? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does a mole use its claws for? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does a vampire bat use its special teeth and tongue for? \_\_\_\_\_

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What does a grizzly bear use its teeth for? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does a hippo scare its rivals? \_\_\_\_\_

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On the next page, illustrate and label some of the animals you learned about.

## Hippopotamuses & Beastly Footprints

Read pages 48-51 of *The Big Book of Beasts* and answer the questions with what you learned.

Why do hippos love the mud? \_\_\_\_\_

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Are hippos known for being calm or aggressive? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does a hippo show off and fight? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does a hippo make its own sunscreen? \_\_\_\_\_

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How does a male hippo mark his territory? \_\_\_\_\_

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Illustrate a hippopotamus.

Hippopotamus