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LO: Omnivore, carnivore and herbivore

Animals have similar digestive systems to humans, but cows, sheep, camels, deer, etc. are called ruminants and they chew the cud. Different animals have different sorts of diets.

Omnivore - an animal or person that eats a variety of food of both plant and animal origin E.g. Bears and humans	Carnivore - an animal that feeds on other animals. E.g. Lion and polar bear	Herbivore - an animal that feeds on plants. E.g. Giraffe and panda
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Both human & animal diets partly depend upon what is available. Humans in other parts of the world eat different fruits, vegetables & animals than in the UK because different plants & animals thrive in that particular climate & terrain, e.g. Inuit eat seals & polar bears, Peruvians eat guinea pigs, Japanese people eat a lot of seaweed, Thais eat fruit like durian, rambutan & dragon fruit (pitaya), etc.

Visit <https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/>

Create a fact file for 3 different animals. Choose an omnivore, a carnivore and a herbivore.

One way you can tell what type of food an animal eats is by looking at its teeth. Humans are omnivores. They eat a bit of everything, and have all three types of teeth to chew their food. But lots of animals are not omnivores. Some animals eat meat and only meat - they are called carnivores. Carnivores have well developed canine teeth - for tearing and slicing meat. Other animals eat only plants - they are called herbivores. Herbivores often have well developed molars or incisors for grinding and cutting plant food. Decide what type of teeth would be most important for the animals you have chosen.

Fun facts

http://news.bbc.co.uk/cbbcnews/hi/find_out/guides/tech/teeth/newsid_3830000/3830561.stm



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Animal:	Animal:	Animal:
Type:	Type:	Type:
Diet:	Diet:	Diet:
Size:	Size:	Size:
Teeth:	Teeth:	Teeth: