

# Guidance for using the resources for 'Animals, Birds, Pets' Theme

## Recommended order for Power Points/Videos

1. Peataichean (pets)
2. A bheil cù agad? (Do you have a dog?)
3. Beathaichean fiadhaich na h-Alba (Scottish Wild Animals)
4. Guthan nam beathaichean (Animal voices/sounds)
5. Na beathaichean
6. Tha an t-aibhean mòr a' stampadh (The big elephant is stamping)
7. Tha coineanach agam (I have a rabbit)
8. An coineanach glas (The grey rabbit)
9. Am muncaidh beag (The little monkey)
10. An t-aibhean cruinn (The round elephant)
11. A' chailleach oidhche (The owl)

Key
Nouns/Sentence Structure
Songs/Rhymes
Big Book Type Stories
Use with puppets

## Rationale for the above order:

1. This PP introduces 7 pets (nouns only) and also the question and response: What is it? It's a ... This Q & A can be used in any context.
2. Building on from the first PP, this PP uses the same 7 pets but introduces the concept of ownership. Do you have a ...? Yes, I have a ...? Again this Q & A can be used in other contexts.
3. This PP introduces 6 wild animals (vocab extension) and brings in an alternative question: What is this? The response can simply be the use of 'seo...' followed by the appropriate noun.
4. This PP reinforces the 'What is this?' question and also extends the animal vocabulary to include some farm and wild animals. It also introduces the 'What does a 'cow' say?' question with its appropriate response: e.g. A cow says moo.
5. This PP gives names of some creatures in a simple tune format.
6. This PP reinforces 3 of the wild animals in a simple, repetitive song.
7. This PP reinforces 3 of the pets in a simple, repetitive song. It also introduces 3 colours (white, yellow, brown) and 3 other adjectives (nice, small, big).
8. This PP reinforces 'rabbit' and develops vocabulary and language further. (e.g. talking about what he likes, does etc) It then gives a poem about the rabbit.
9. This PP introduces a new animal (monkey) and extends vocab via a poem/song.
10. This PP reinforces 'elephant' and extends vocab via a poem/song.
11. This PP introduces 'owl' , 'up', 'down' and extends vocab via the poem 'The Owl and the Pussycat'.

*By using the PPs in the recommended order, progression of language is inbuilt.*

*NB: 8,9,10, 11 should be done after 1-7 but the order of the final four doesn't really matter.*

## Additional Support

All power points are supported by sound files. Translations are all included in the notes.  
NB Some power points are supported by songs.

## Songs

The songs have been categorised into 3 levels as follows:

1. Simple songs to start with – suitable for infants of 0-3 years but may also be enjoyed by 3-5 year olds.
2. Simple songs with more challenging vocabulary – suitable for 3-5 year olds but may also be enjoyed by infants of 0-3 years.
3. Songs that introduce vocabulary from other themes (e.g. colour) or longer songs – more suitable for 3-5 year olds and older children.

All songs create opportunities for actions and come with the following:

- Gaelic lyrics
- English Translation
- Sound file

Songs highlighted in **blue** have an accompanying online video or DVD (e.g. Cabag)  
Songs highlighted in **pink** have a power point with its sound file attached.

Song title	Level
<b>Guthan nam beathaichean (Cabag version)</b> Huis huis air an each <b>Activity suggestions for this song</b> <b>Muncaidh, muncaidh</b> “Tha mi ruith,” ars’ an rabaid Tha mise mòr, tha luchag beag <b>Tunnagan beaga</b> <b>Na beathaichean</b>	1
A bheil cù aig an doras? <b>Activity suggestions for this song</b> Chuala mi a’ chuthag Hò, hò, hò ars an cat mòr glas <b>Activity suggestions for this song</b> <b>Tha an t-ailbhean mòr Activity suggestions for this song</b> <b>Tha coineanach agam Activity suggestions for this song</b> Tha mise nas motha na ...	2
Cat ri taobh an teine <b>Activity suggestions for this song</b> Tha sinn a’ dol dhan sù an-dràsta <b>Activity suggestions for this song</b> Tha sinn a’ falbh dhan an sù an-dràsta <b>Luchag bheag Activity suggestions for this song</b>	3