

April 3, 2024

Dear Affiliate Partner:

To assist you in complying with the reporting requirements for children's television and the requirement that stations air "core" educational and informational children's programming, we are providing you with episode-specific descriptions ("**The More You Know**" educational and informational programming block) as set forth in the attached Quarterly Children's Programming Report for the 1st quarter of 2024. Please note that we have not included the specific dates and times for each of the programs as that information may be station-specific.

This report is divided into the following categories:

1. Educational Objectives and Show Summaries: **The More You Know** both for programs broadcast in the 1st quarter of 2024 and those planned for the 2nd quarter of 2024.
2. Core Programming: Regularly scheduled programming furnished by the NBC Network that is specifically designed to serve the educational and informational needs of children ages 13-16. Each of these programs is identified on-air as educational and informational with the "E/I" icon and is similarly identified to the national listing services. Please note that the target age range for **The More You Know** programming is identified as 13-16 years old.
3. Other Programming: Programming furnished by the NBC Network that contributes to the educational and informational needs of children 16 and under but is not specifically designed to meet the educational and informational needs of children.
4. Public service announcements targeted to children 16 and under.
5. Non-broadcast efforts that enhance the educational and informational value of NBC Network programming to children.

The regularly-scheduled children's programming and promotional content furnished to you by the NBC Network during the 1st quarter of 2024 complied with the commercial limits of the Children's Television Act, and 47 C.F.R. §§ 73.670(a)-(d), provided that you broadcast and distributed such programming as furnished to you by NBC, and did not add any promotional or advertising content thereto other than as directed by NBC via weekly postings on APT.

Despite the recent revisions to the Children's Television Programming Rules we will continue to provide this report on a quarterly basis. Please consult your legal counsel with any questions.

If you have any questions about this report, please feel free to call us.

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*Note Regarding FCC's Audio Description Rules:* The programs supplied in **The More You Know** block are audio-described to provide a better viewing experience for blind or visually impaired children.

**1<sup>st</sup> QUARTER 2024**  
**EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES and SHOW SUMMARIES**  
[AGE TARGET 13-16]  
**1 January 2024 – 31 March 2024**

In the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2024, NBC continued airing The More You Know Educational/Informational programming block, designed for older adolescent children, ages 13-16. Each of the six shows has a hosted format, featuring non-fiction, informative programming that extends NBC's iconic The More You Know brand to Saturday mornings. The audience views inspiring stories about the environment, social change, health and wellness, and community engagement. There was one change to the lineup for Q1. *Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Protecting the Wild* and *Earth Odyssey* retained their positions in the first hour of the block, while a new season of *Wild Child* replaced *One Team: The Power of Sports* at the end of the second hour of the block. *Harlem Globetrotters: Play It Forward* continued to open the first half hour of the second hour. Stations continued to have the option of airing the final hour of the block (*Earth Odyssey with Dylan Dreyer* and *Wild Child*) on their primary channel or on their secondary D2/D3 channel.

**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Protecting the Wild is a live action, half-hour television program designed to meet the educational and informational needs of children aged 13-16. Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Protecting the Wild will inspire the next generation of wildlife lovers and highlight species under threat of extinction in our modern world. Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Protecting the Wild features veteran host and animal expert Peter Gros, alongside internationally respected wildlife ecologist, Dr. Rae Wynn-Grant. Each week, our hosts set out to highlight the work of heroic conservationists – from scientists, wildlife experts, and even members of the public, all in a manner accessible and understandable to children 13-16 yet can be enjoyed by the whole family. Mutual of Omaha's Wild Kingdom Protecting the Wild reveals how human activity impacts animal behavior and teaches viewers how modern science, technology, and other conservation techniques can help save North America's imperiled wildlife, one species at a time.

**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

Harlem Globetrotters: Play It Forward is a live action, half-hour television program designed to meet the educational and informational needs of children aged 13-16. Harlem Globetrotters: Play It Forward

celebrates the historic franchise that has delighted fans of all ages with joy and goodwill for nearly a century. Hosted by Craig Robinson, audiences will get to know the new generation of talented Globetrotters players and coaches, while witnessing how they bring their unique skills and passions both on and off the court. From teaching financial literacy to community engagement to sharing the importance of eating healthy and staying fit, Harlem Globetrotters: Play It Forward will educate viewers in a manner accessible and understandable to children aged 13-16. Each week, Harlem Globetrotters: Play It Forward will feature stories of both compassion and mind-blowing athleticism, demonstrating the incredible impact that basketball can have for generations to come.

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**2nd QUARTER 2024  
EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES and SHOW SUMMARIES  
[AGE TARGET 13-16]  
1 April 2024 – 30 June 2024**

In the 2nd Quarter of 2024, NBC continued airing The More You Know Educational/Informational programming block, designed for older adolescent children, ages 13-16. Each of the six shows has a hosted format, featuring non-fiction, informative programming that extends NBC's iconic The More You Know brand to Saturday mornings. The audience views inspiring stories about the environment, social change, health and wellness, and community engagement. There were no changes to the lineup for Q2.

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#### **“CORE PROGRAMMING”**

**PROGRAMMING FURNISHED BY THE NBC NETWORK THAT IS SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO  
SERVE THE EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN 16 AND UNDER**

**[AGE TARGET 13-16]**

**06 January 2024 – 30 March 2024**

Airdate: 06 January 2024

Time:

Duration (hh:mm:ss): 00:30:00

#### **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD RAISING HELLBENDERS [WLK105]**

Deep in the Ozark rivers of Missouri and Arkansas, we find a very important and unusual amphibian called the hellbender. Hellbenders are large aquatic salamanders that can grow to sixteen-to-twenty inches in size and therefore are the largest species of amphibian in the United States. Like all amphibians, salamanders breathe through their skin, making them vulnerable to changes in the environment. The hellbender in particular is an indicator species, so their presence, or lack of, will help signify any problems in the ecosystem. Unfortunately, Ozark hellbenders have been disappearing for decades. Globally, more

than forty percent of amphibians are now endangered due to pollution, disease, and habitat loss. The Saint Louis Zoo is spearheading efforts to save the endangered Ozark hellbender through a pioneering breeding program. So far, they've released over ten thousand hellbenders into the wild! Since proving their captive hellbenders could breed successfully in the wild, there's tremendous hope that their efforts can help the hellbender population make a comeback.

**[Educational Message: The Saint Louis Zoo is the first institution to successfully breed Ozark hellbenders in captivity. Though once estimated to rapidly disappear forever, Ozark hellbenders are now back on the rise, illustrating how the work by conservation heroes across the world, like the people in Missouri, can play a critical role in ensuring amphibians, like the hellbenders, can continue their vital contribution to our beautiful environment.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK! [EDD607]**

We're entering nature's newborn nursery for a look at some wild animal adolescence. For nature's biggest animals, their larger-than-life reputation starts from day one. The giraffe comes into the world at almost seven feet tall and one hundred fifty pounds, so they must learn to be on their feet quickly after birth. Baby giraffes mingle with kids their own age, forming a natural nursery so they can bond while the parents keep a lookout. This socializing will help to ensure they develop certain survival skills through activities like playing, fighting, and grooming. This bonding we also see with the impala, whose herds can include up to one hundred individuals. Impala females all give birth at the same time, occurring around noon as it's the safest time of day when most predators are resting. But unlike the giraffe or impala, other animals like the bushbuck live a mostly solitary life, including after birth when the baby is kept hidden in thickets until it reaches four months of age. Animals work hard to protect their young and this safety mission has produced some unique methods for protection. Some mothers will often lick their babies to mask their scent, while others simply chase unwanted visitors away. Zebra herds will even band together with neighboring herds for extra protection. When the babies finally mature into adolescence, they will often be forced out into their own lives to continue the circle of life.

**[Educational Message: In Earth's wildest environments, there's no signal of change like the arrival of a new generation. With the nurture of their dedicated parents, these newborns revive the spirit and wonder of nature, showing the resilience and strength it takes to survive.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

**TROTTERS OF THE CARIBBEAN [HGL206]**

Returning to his childhood home, Hot Rod, along with teammate Thunder, visit a Dominican Republic school that teaches children the importance of growing their own food, learning the value of growing their own crops, followed by dinner preparation with the chef. The two learn about nutrition before entertaining the group with some Globetrotter skills. Following their match in the Dominican Republic, the Harlem Globetrotters, led by Hot Rod, Thunder, and Moose, captivate the audience during the match while acknowledging the history and significant importance of the "Magic Circle" throughout their history.

**[Educational Message: Empowering young minds with the knowledge of cultivating their own food and embracing healthy nutritional choices lays the foundation for a future that thrives on sustainability and nourishment.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**JUNGLE JAMS [WLC401]**

Jump into the smaller corners of the map with Host Sheinelle Jones as we encounter the remarkable wildlife that exemplifies the unique and diverse nature of the world's jungles. Jungle activity in the morning starts with breakfast, from the orangutans who come down to the forest floor for a quick bite to the hyacinth macaw breaking into their favorite snack: the coconut. As they eat, we learn that orangutans are the world's largest tree-dwelling animals, showcasing impressive physical attributes such as reaching heights of up to five feet and weighing as much as two hundred pounds. Venturing further into the jungle and the day, we encounter the agile colobus monkeys, known for their remarkable ability to leap over fifty feet between trees, and the omnivorous chimpanzee, who can live to over fifty years old in the wild. We also encounter the Asian elephant as they practice trunk control and learn that despite being smaller than their African counterparts, male Asian elephants can still weigh over ten thousand pounds, while newborns can weigh over two hundred pounds and stand up to three feet tall. When you live in the jungle, pests can also be a constant problem; and in the animal world, hygiene and self-care is part of the daily routine and is often a group effort.

**[Educational Message: The jungles of the world are untamed tropical wonderlands that are bursting at the seams with exotic flora and fauna that are a feast for the eyes. From animals like the jaguar, orangutan, and Bengal tiger, there is much to see, and yet there are so many hidden gems yet to be discovered within this mysterious wild.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**FAVORITE FAMILIES [WLC214]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on an adventure around the planet to spend time with the furry, feathered, and flippered families of the animal kingdom. First up, we'll travel to the coastlines of Asia to join a pod of spinner dolphins. We'll learn that spinner dolphins live up to their name as they are famous for their aquatic tumbling skills. Researchers believe that spinner dolphins spin as a form of communication. With its mom guiding the way, we'll witness how baby spinner dolphins perfect their spinning techniques in a vast ocean playground. Next, we'll join some of the barnyard babies as they begin their day with a hearty breakfast. Donkeys are most active during the cooler parts of the day. Grazing mostly on grasses, we'll learn that donkeys can eat an average of six thousand pounds of food per year. We'll also check in with a mother horse on the farm, where milk is on the menu for her foal this morning. We'll learn that baby horses will live off the mother's milk until they're four to six months old.

**[Educational Message: From dolphins to donkeys, we learned more about the fascinating animal families on Earth. When it comes to life in the wild, the families that play together, stay together.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**BIZARRE BEASTS [EDD414]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on an adventure to find the weirdest and most bizarre behaviors in the animal kingdom. First up, we'll travel to the rugged Falkland Islands to learn more about one of its peculiar residents, the rockhopper penguin. Rockhopper penguins typically live for about ten years in the wild. We'll witness how rockhoppers take advantage of natural spring water to wash away the salt and dirt from their time at sea. Taking a shower is a behavior never seen in the animal kingdom, but it's a daily ritual for this island's rockhopper penguins. Next, we'll travel to the coastal deserts of Africa

to discover more about another ingenious animal, the Namaqua chameleon. We'll find out that this type of chameleon has evolved several unique adaptations to adjust to the harsh desert environment. The Namaqua chameleon uses its color changing ability to help regulate its temperature by absorbing the heat of the day. Changing to a lighter color reflects the sun's rays when it needs to cool down, which gives this chameleon a unique advantage over other desert animals. Finally, we'll journey to the rainforests of Madagascar to learn more about the greater bamboo lemur. We'll discover that as few as sixty greater bamboo lemurs are left in the wild, making these among the most critically endangered primates on the planet. Not surprisingly, we'll learn that bamboo makes up ninety eight percent of the greater bamboo lemur's diet. We'll find out that bamboo shoots have larger amounts of the toxin cyanide, which the greater bamboo lemur has evolved to digest.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we discovered some of Earth's oddest and most fascinating animal behaviors. As we learned, sometimes the traits that set us apart from the herd are also what help us survive and thrive.]**

Airdate: 13 January 2024

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD  
WINGED WONDERS [WLK108]**

Winged animals, like birds and bats, play a key role in the diverse ecologies that connect America's vast landscapes. In fact, more than eight hundred species of birds are found in the United States, but key factors, such as human activity, has taken its toll on their populations. When the mighty bald eagle disappeared from the Channel Islands of California due in part to pollution in the area, golden eagles moved in and hunted the endemic foxes on the island. So, conservationists teamed up to relocate many of the golden eagles back to the mainland and reintroduced bald eagles into the ecosystem. Off the rocky coastline of Maine, puffins also once faced massive decline from hunting, but local conservation efforts came to the rescue using translocation and dedicated biologists who continue to do research in efforts to keep puffins around for good. Deep in the heart of Texas, bats make their infamous exhibition from Bracken Cave, home to the largest congregation of mammals in the world, where they emerge in a swarm for their nocturnal feast. Their insect-rich diet helps reduce crop damage and the need for pesticide. But half of all bat species in North America are under threat; and it takes the work of conservationists and biologists to preserve colonies like these and educate people about their ecological importance. Conversely, some birds are the danger itself rather than in danger. In the Mojave Desert, the raven abounds due to human development, which is bad news for the tortoise – the ravens' favorite snack. Thankfully, as one of the most intelligent birds on the planet, ravens are also trainable, and scientists have discovered the helpful use of firing lasers to move ravens away from tortoise habitats, in hopes this will help restore balance.

**[Educational Message: If you don't look up, you could miss some of the world's most magnificent flying spectacles. From the alpine forests to the eastern seashore and everything in between, birds and bats contribute to the Earth's ecology in countless ways, and protecting these creatures is vital for our wildlife.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
GETTING SOCIAL IN THE SAVANNA [EDD608]**

We're dropping in on the wild animal soiree happening right here in the savanna. For wild animals, being social isn't just about having a good time, it's a crucial survival tactic that offers a wide range of benefits. But every animal shows their affection differently. The mighty lion, one of Africa's more ferocious predators, can be seen cuddling, grooming, and sharing afternoon catnaps with fellow members of the pride. Lower



down the food chain, impala adult males will band together with other bachelors while females stay with their herd, but all must be adaptable due to constant threats: dry season, changing resources, and predators. Around the waterhole, the savanna's most social spot, are cape buffalo who use hierarchy as their social foundation. This is determined by size, and males can keep growing indefinitely, so they use confrontations as exhibitions in power and brute force. Let's not forget one of the most social of all: the elephant. Whether bathing, playing, or eating, elephants always stick together. Their emotional intelligence runs deep, so for them banding together isn't just for safety, it ensures their strong family dynamics and that no member gets left behind.

**[Educational Message: From the countless numbers of impala herds to tightknit elephant families, it's clear there are plenty of advantages to gregarious living. Maintaining social bonds means protection, sharing resources, and celebrating companionship. These creature communities show us that in the wild, no task is too tough with family and friends by your side.]**

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### **HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

#### **CHARITY STARTS AT HOME [HGL205]**

Bulldog embarks on a self-reflective exploration of his own journey toward becoming a Globetrotter during his visit to Corpus Christi, accompanied by Hotshot, Hammer, and Coach Lou. Additionally, they familiarize themselves with the Little Brothers and Little Sisters program, leading to a memorable basketball match with the young people of the program. Journeying through history, it was in 1951 that the Globetrotters came to be known as ambassadors of goodwill. As they spread joy around the world, we follow along through the history of how they earned the title; and, following the team's visit to Charlotte, they are introduced to the "Greater Goals" organization, an affordable after-school program that combines soccer and literacy education for children, where the team gain valuable insights into the organization's activities and objectives.

**[Educational Message: Embrace the journey, ignite passions, and spread joy, for in inspiring others, we discover our truest purpose.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **AFRICAN YOU BELIEVE IT?! [WLC402]**

Journey through the African savanna with host Sheinelle Jones and discover a captivating array of creatures, each showcasing its own distinct charm within this diverse kingdom. The African savanna is one of Earth's wonders of biodiversity, a picturesque expanse of gold and green grasslands dotted with acacia trees, that provides an environment where truly remarkable creatures have flourished. Each inhabitant of this untamed playground, which is as breathtaking as it is dangerous, brings its own style and personality. From the elephants, who are up at dawn to start their sixteen hours of grazing to allow for rapid daily weight gain of up to two pounds per day, to the rhinos', who are experts at relaxation, resting constantly to combat the heat of the day, and the hyenas whose days actually end in the morning after a full night hunting. For each animal, one of each day's highest priorities is food. Many animals, like elephants and giraffes, are herbivores, whose primary food source is grass, while others prefer a more carnivorous diet, including cheetahs and hyenas. Though, for many young, the primary diet is their mother's milk, such as hyenas, whose mothers will nurse their young for over a year. While elephants, rhinos, and lions take center-stage when we think of Africa's animals, birds are equally awe-inspiring inhabitants of the area with their stunning plumage, melodic calls, and unique behaviors. The gray crowned crane, for example, is an omnivore that performs elaborate mating dances to find its perfect single lifelong mate; and some feathered friends even assist their mammal counterparts, such as impalas to keep their coats pest free.

**[Educational Message: The African savanna is a majestic landscape spanning five million square miles with a tropical climate and lush grasslands supporting millions of animals. Amongst them, includes the largest land mammal, the tallest animal, the fastest animal, and a few that are truly unique. Here, the delicate balance of predator and prey is always on show and acts as a reminder that each animal plays a critical role in this unique habitat.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **AFRICA [WLC215]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us back to the savanna to spend the day with Africa's most iconic animals. First up, we'll spend the morning grazing with a herd of African elephants. Here we'll witness elephant activities such as dust baths, which not only protects their skin from the sun, but also helps keep away pesky insects. We'll also see how the older elephants teach their calves how to mud roll, a technique that helps remove unwanted parasites. We'll learn that elephant trunks are considered one of the most sensitive organs in any known animal. Although not used for chewing, we'll also find out that elephant tusks are actually enlarged incisor teeth. We'll join the herd for a pool party and witness how elephant babies learn and form social bonds. Next, we'll learn more about another iconic African mammal, the zebra. We'll join a mother zebra as her foal enjoys a breakfast suckle. Zebra foals do start eating grass by the time they're three years old but will continue to drink its mother's milk for several months. We'll learn that mothers form a strong bond with their youngsters in order to survive the extremes of Africa. As they grow older, zebras who display the most vigilance become the highest-ranking leader in the herd. We'll also learn that within a herd, zebras also have multiple smaller family groups.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we spent the day with some of Africa's most iconic animal residents. As home to seemingly countless different species, this vast continent continues to astonish and amaze amidst the rays of the beautiful African sunrise.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **BRANCHING OUT [EDD415]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on a journey to find the animals that make their home amongst the trees. First up, we'll travel to the mangrove forests on the island of Bohol in the Philippines. Here we'll watch a troop of long-tailed macaques as they navigate the twisted mangroves in search of food. We'll discover that long-tailed macaques, who spend most of their time in trees, can leap over sixteen feet at a time. Long-tailed macaques are primarily frugivorous, which means their diet consists mainly of fruit. Next, we'll travel to China to learn about one of the world's most elusive animals, the red panda. Just slightly larger than a domestic cat, red pandas live a solitary life in the foothill forests of China. Similar to giant pandas, red pandas have a pseudo thumb that helps them grip bamboo. Red pandas can't digest the cellulose found in most plants, so their diet is made almost entirely of bamboo. Because bamboo nutrition levels are relatively low, they spend around thirteen hours a day feeding. We'll discover that to cope with cooler temperatures, red pandas' bodies are completely covered in fur, including the soles of their feet. Finally, we'll discover more about the fascinating species of birds that call the Pantanal wetlands home. We'll witness the daily routines of local birds such as parakeets and macaws. Second only to the hyacinth macaw, we'll learn that red and green macaws are one of the largest parrot species on Earth.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we witnessed how various species of wildlife rely on trees for survival. Nature can be an unforgiving environment and we must adapt to changes in our world in order to survive and thrive.]**

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD  
THE FOREST BENEATH THE SEA [WLK109]**

Journey with us to the edge of the mighty Pacific Ocean in California, famous for its pristine natural beauty, including the magical kelp forests beneath the waves. Underwater kelp forests are a vital home for a host of amazing species. Although kelp behaves like a plant, it's actually a type of algae and has the ability to produce oxygen at rates that exceed those of terrestrial forests. But recently, kelp forests have suffered the most devastating mass die-off event ever recorded. In the north coast of California, ninety-six percent of kelp canopies have been lost, as millions of invading sea urchins are eating them to extinction. This is a result of huge warm water events that encapsulated the coastline, which nearly destroyed a critically important predator of sea urchins – the sunflower sea star, one of the largest sea stars in the world. Restoring kelp forests will require intense conservation on many fronts. Commercial fishing is one resource that helps bring balance back by using traps; sea urchins are considered a delicacy to eat, and there's a growing market for them, so removing them is quick, effective, and profitable. It's a good start, but kelp forests won't fully recover until sunflower sea stars are restored in the ecosystem. Some of the most groundbreaking work into sea star recovery is coming from local maritime facilities and laboratories who raising sea stars to reintroduce them to the wild and repopulate the areas where these sea stars have disappeared and protect the kelp there.

**[Educational Message: Kelp forests are the biological backbone for marine animals of every shape and size. It takes the work of vigilant stewards of conservation to restore sunflower sea stars, reduce the spread of purple sea urchins, and finally revive kelp forests.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
MOVERS & SHAKERS [EDD609]**

We're traversing the landscape to meet the animals who love to live life on the move. Many animal species move hundreds, even thousands of miles on a regular basis, and for a myriad of reasons. This epic endeavor is called migration, a natural phenomenon driven by instinct and necessity. Take elephants, for instance, who can easily travel up to twenty miles a day to find nourishment. Resources are slim in the dry season, so they'll take any variety of food they can find and search far and wide to get it. They've colonized all available environments with their adaptability, making their survival sense as impressive as their unmatched size. Baboons, however, mostly migrate to find relief from heat. Unlike other monkeys, they spend more time on the ground in the trees, so when in straying into new territory, the alpha must head up the rear for protection. It may take days, but they won't stop until they find food and shelter. For queleas, it's all about water. Their migration patterns chase the rain as it provides an abundance of their favorite foods as well as the perfect environment for breeding, and as a result, red-billed queleas boast the largest population of wild birds on the planet, forming super colonies by the millions. Wildebeests know this strategy well, as they also adopt strength in numbers to organize their mass annual trek around the continent.

**[Educational Message: It's not just about the distance traveled when it comes to moving around, it's about making the most of the journey. Whether for food, water, weather, or better breeding grounds, each animal knows how to take full advantage of their time on the road and passes along their travel tips to the next generation.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

**BALLERINAS, DANCERS, AND...GLOBETROTTERS? [HGL209]**

Buzzing with excitement, Hotshot and Cheese join Jet in showing their everlasting support as pillars of the community assemble to honor Jet for his community work in his hometown. Hammer and Zeus continue their effort to inspire by visiting a local high school where they share their expertise and experiences as successful entrepreneurs. Inspired by their fluency, several Globetrotters attend a Cuban ballet lesson, learning that ballet is not as "easy" as basketball but that they are more proficient in the art than expected. Thunder, Ace, and Moose seek an adventure to experience Iceland's Blue Lagoon after a long voyage as they continue to live up to what it takes to be a Globetrotter.

**[Educational Message: Working hard is a key factor in achieving one's goals, and by gaining knowledge about the challenges and triumphs of entrepreneurship, along with implementing effective strategies such as staying adaptable to overcome them, success can be attained.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**INTO THE WOODS [WLC403]**

From the lush tropical rainforests of Brazil to the majestic giant sequoias in California, forests cover approximately thirty-one percent of the Earth's landmass and act as the earth's lung's, creating over twenty-five percent of the oxygen we breathe. On average, each tree provides enough oxygen to keep humans breathing for up to one year, and a single mature oak can be home to over one hundred different species of plants and animals. We begin our journey in the forest canopy, where we encounter the long-eared owl chick and its devoted father. These remarkable birds have an exceptional ability to hear, allowing them to catch prey even in complete darkness. As we move through the forests of the world, we meet the beloved black and white pandas, who have a unique diet of nutrient-poor bamboo, requiring them to consume large quantities to sustain themselves, spending up to sixteen hours a day eating this favorite snack. Meanwhile, in the North American forests, the grizzly bear, one of the largest bear species on the planet, is fishing in the rushing rivers. These formidable creatures rely on their sharp, lengthy claws to catch salmon for sustenance, with some males weighing over seven hundred pounds. In any forest wilderness, good looks can run in the family, but not always from birth. The unmistakable beauty of a peacock's plumage takes patience. Male peafowl chicks don't develop their color until around two to three years old; but once developed, a peacock's feather train can grow as long as five feet and be comprised of up to two hundred feathers.

**[Educational Message: With towering trees, dense undergrowth, and resources in abundance, forests create a haven of stunning biodiversity. The creatures in these mystical and wondrous locales have found creative ways to use every level of the trees to their advantaging, allowing so many different species to flourish and to serve as a reminder of how versatile nature can be.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**DOWN UNDER [WLC216]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on a journey to Australia to discover more about the continent's iconic animals. First up, we'll join a family of emus to discover how this bird species survives and thrives in the Australian bush. We'll discover that there are over six hundred locations in Australia named after the emu. Here we'll witness the next generation of emus learning the fine points of bush dining from their parents. However, when it comes to raising the babies, the dads do all the work. These emu chicks might be small now, but eventually they'll grow up to be the second largest birds in the world. To

reach this massive size, they'll pack on a variety of insects, fruits, grass, and seeds. Next, we'll travel to the beaches of Australia to find the smallest sea turtle species in the world, the olive ridley. These turtles get their name from the olive color of their heart shaped shell, or carapace. Olive ridleys can be found across the Pacific, Atlantic, and Indian oceans. We'll follow along as a female olive ridley lays her eggs on the same beach she was born. Some sea turtles, including olive ridleys, lay their eggs once a year in a mass nesting event called an "arribada." We'll witness as this olive ridley mother lays more than one hundred ping pong ball sized eggs before carefully burying them and returning to sea.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an adventure to Australia to learn more about the iconic creatures that call this continent home. From emus to sea turtles, we discovered that ninety percent of the wildlife in Australia is found nowhere else on Earth.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**AMORED ANIMALS [EDD416]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on an adventure to find the toughest animals in the wild. First up, we'll travel to the Arabian Peninsula which is not only home to some of the most extreme deserts in the world, but also home to thousands of miles of beaches. Here, we'll discover more about the life cycle of green sea turtles. No matter the distance, female green sea turtles will always return to the same beach on which they were born to nest. Here we'll witness the birth of newborn green sea turtles and learn more about the predators and challenges they face on their first journey to the ocean. Next, we'll travel to the coastal forests of Far East Asia to discover more about the numerous species of land crabs. Home to over 30 separate species of land crabs, this area boasts the highest diversity anywhere on Earth. Driven by instinct, these land-dwelling crabs must make a journey to the ocean to deposit their eggs. Here we'll discover that the massive land crab migration in Taiwan causes highway closures and even calls for crossing guards. Finally, we'll travel to the northern coasts of Russia to meet one of the largest animals in Russia, the Atlantic walrus. Weighing up to one and a half tons, walruses spend a third of their lives huddled in "blubber balls" for warmth. We'll discover that each walrus colony is governed by the largest male sporting the biggest tusks. We'll also learn that walruses can be either white or pink due to the distribution of blood supply throughout their bodies.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we learned more about the most amazing, armored creatures in the animal kingdom. These fascinating animals have evolved and adapted to survive in some of the harshest environments on the planet.]**

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

**BABY ANIMALS [WLK110]**

Baby animals are the next generation of life, and little is more important than their survival. But the youngest among us are also the most vulnerable, and the first year of life poses the toughest challenges. For instance, on the sunny beaches of Florida, five out of seven species of sea turtles make their nests, but just one in one thousand sea turtle hatchlings will make it to maturity. Some scientists are researching these nests to figure out the overall hatch success of the island, and because of their work, thousands of precious hatchlings will get a second chance at life. On the rocky coastline of New England, Atlantic puffins were once almost gone due to factors like hunting and habitat loss. Now, up to three thousand of these resilient seabirds are nesting here once again thanks to local conservation programs, such as dedicated teams on the small island of Eastern Egg Rock who constantly monitor the overall health of the birds and their habitat. In the Mojave Desert, a thirty-million-year-old resident has nearly faced eviction due to human development and invasive predators. One field team in this area is tracking adult female tortoises in the

desert, where they're temporarily removed from the wild and brought to a nursery to lay their eggs. Over seventy babies a year are raised through this program and each one is crucial to the recovery of the entire species. In Missouri, the Ozark hellbender, a native salamander species, is getting a head start at a new life. Like all amphibians, salamanders breathe water through their skin, which makes them vulnerable to changes in the environment. Globally, more than forty percent of amphibians are now in danger of extinction due to pollution, disease, and habitat loss. But a local zoo is spearheading efforts to save the endangered Ozark hellbender through a pioneering breeding program. Once they're large enough, and with help from the local government wildlife departments, they are released to their new homes in the Ozarks, where hellbenders have lived for thousands of years.

**[Educational Message: Protecting babies is a difficult job, but conservation heroes are needed across North America to breed endangered species for release into the wild, ensuring that baby animals survive, thrive, and go on to create future generations in our world.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **THE HABITS OF HERBIVORES [EDD610]**

Join us for a vegetarian vacation to meet the world's most iconic plant-eaters. In the wild, animals are as diverse in their food habits as we are. But for land's biggest eaters, it's the herbivore diet that takes the cake. Herbivores come in all shapes, sizes, and colors, but a common theme is dark coats. They act as a subtle disguise amongst the shade, but the downside is that they attract swarms of pests, except for zebras whose black-and-white striped hide disorients bugs, working as a natural insect repellent. Elephants also tend to avoid pests altogether thanks to their lack of sweat glands and, like many herbivores, can be seen getting in on the fun of a mud bath for good measure. Elephants aren't the only heavyweight herbivores roaming the wild. The Bovidae family share common traits, such as cloven hooves or males with horns, across seventy-five species! But each species is organized differently – about forty-three species live in communities, while thirty-two of them keep to themselves. For buffalos, living in groups is a key to their survival strategy. The mass of any herd, with every animal keeping watch, can be a strong deterrent for any predator. While the buffalo make up a tight-knit group, giraffes are a different story entirely. Indeed, they are gregarious, often mingling with different individuals at different times, without any single leader. Yet, in general, they are physically and socially apart from one another.

**[Educational Message: There are constant dangers for our planet's wild vegetarians. From predators to limited resources, herbivores need to know how to combat any challenges thrown at them, but their versatility and unique brand of survival have created a majestic group of creatures that are stunning in look as well as behavior.]**

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### **HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

#### **OLD SCHOOL [HGL210]**

As they journey to Hot Rod's hometown of Santo Domingo, Thunder and Moose enthusiastically join him for their inaugural Globetrotters game in the Dominican Republic, sparking joy within the local community. Embracing the opportunity to make a difference, the team enthusiastically volunteers with the Comfort Cases organization, actively assisting in packing essential items for children in foster care as they transition to new homes. Meanwhile, Coach Lou, Torch, and Jet head to Topeka, Kansas, filled with excitement to meet a group of spirited grannies who have organized their own basketball league, eagerly participating in a unique tournament alongside them.

**[Educational Message: Embrace each opportunity with enthusiasm and let your passion light the**

## **way to greatness.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **FEELIN' HOT HOT HOT [WLC404]**

Embark on a desert adventure with Shanielle Jones, where a lively narrative unfolds beneath the sun-soaked landscapes. Deserts cover more than a fifth of our planet's surface, and while they have their differences, all are tied together by one unmistakable trait: they are dry! So dry, in fact, some see less than half an inch of rainfall in an entire year. These vast expanses of golden terrain are home to a wide variety of animals such as owls, ostriches, roadrunners, meerkats, coyotes, and rhinos. In regions where water is in short supply, keeping clean requires some alternative methods, such as the lioness treating her cub to a tongue bath in Africa's Kalahari Desert or the meerkats that make grooming a team sport. Communal grooming reinforces positive relationships. As one of the apex predators of the desert, coyotes defy mammalian norms and embrace monogamy and forge lifelong bonds in the arid wilderness. Meanwhile, while intelligence among wild animals comes in many forms, it's clear that in every environment, there are some truly clever creatures. Prairie dogs, for instance, are known for their building of intricate underground architecture and highly developed communication skills within their groups while resilient Meerkats showcase their ability to thrive without direct water consumption by relying on the moisture within the desert's abundant food offerings. No matter the environment, Africa is one of the most stunning places on Earth, with animals equally as captivating. Once on the verge of extinction, the majestic white rhinos, who command attention with their graceful use of horns as tools for foraging, have populations that are steadily increasing thanks to conservation efforts.

**[Educational Message: Navigating the scorching sands, minimal resources, and extreme temperatures of the unforgiving terrain of the desert is all in a day's work for the remarkable animals that make their home in these undeniably hostile habitats, where each species is perfectly adapted to be as extreme as the land they live on. From camels to coyotes, these desert dwellers are a reminder of what it takes to survive in the wild.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **TOUGH TERRAIN [WLC217]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on a journey back to Asia to discover more about the iconic animals that call this region home. First up, we'll travel to the island of Borneo where a group of proboscis monkeys are taking in the morning views from their treetop fortress. Proboscis monkeys are named after the long, hanging nose that is present on males. Here we'll witness how the entire troop joins in on passing on their acrobatic climbing skills to the next generation of proboscis monkeys. While proboscis monkeys are excellent climbers, they are also proficient swimmers. We'll learn that proboscis monkeys will spend most of their lives within the trees near mangrove forests or jungle streams. Next, we'll visit a suburban community to spend the day with a litter of pug puppies. We'll discover that pugs date back to the Han dynasty of ancient China. The Han dynasty is known for scientific advancements including the invention of paper. With their squishy cheeks and charming personalities, pugs were once prized by the emperors of China. We'll discover that pugs were reserved for royalty and only given as gifts to those outside the imperial court in ancient China. Here we'll follow along as the newest pug puppies explore their very own backyard empire.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an adventure back to Asia to learn more about its amazing animal residents. With one third of the entire planet's land mass making up this colossal**

**continent, there's always something new to discover and some adorable newborns making discoveries of their own.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
FEATHERED FRIENDS [EDD417]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on an adventure to discover more about our planet's finest feathered creatures. First up, we'll journey to the wetlands of Turkey and witness a thriving ecosystem fed by the rich minerals of the volcanic earth. Here we'll find some of the most colorful birds in the world, including the bright pink greater flamingos. We'll witness first-hand how these long-limbed birds fish for shrimp in the salty waters. Here we'll learn how the flamingos get their name from "Flamenco," a Latin word meaning fire. Finally, we'll travel north of Japan to the icy waters of the Sea of Okhotsk. While many of Japan's rivers and lakes are still frozen, Lake Kussharo in Eastern Hokkaido serves as a refuge. Volcanic waters have kept part of this lake free of ice throughout winter, attracting the attention of the whooper swan. Named after their loud, honking calls, hundreds of whooper swans will spend the winter here at the lake. We'll also discover that whooper swans have a wingspan of roughly eight feet tip to tip.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took to the skies to meet some amazing avian animals. This class of animals has learned how to use entire continents as their habitat, traveling thousands of miles to find the perfect place to call home.]**

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD  
RESCUE, REHAB, AND RELEASE [WLK111]**

In the Pacific Northwest, about fifteen miles north of downtown Seattle, we visit a local wildlife sanctuary, emergency hospital and rehabilitation facility full of veterinary heroes dedicated to healing animals and getting them back out into the wild. The facility is a haven for hundreds of birds and mammal species where they've been treating injured wildlife for over forty years and cared for thousands of wild animals, from raccoons to raptors. Inside the trauma center, it's a flurry of activity where dozens of animals are in the center's care. Each patient gets an initial physical examination, and eventually they're evaluated for release. If all is well, they get to go back home. One star patient is a nearly full adult bald eagle, who fell prey to an act of mindless cruelty. To limit her exposure to people, the staff monitors the eagle's progress primarily using remote video and start doing physical therapy under anesthesia. After regaining her strength and passing her final flight test, she receives a ceremonious release and finally returns to the forests of Puget Sound. We also meet two black bear orphans caught in a terrible wildfire and discovered by a local couple that are rushed to the facility for emergency treatment. The team are no strangers to treating bears, but the bears were suffering from traumas such as smoke inhalation and third-degree burns, which were challenges the team had never faced. But after a little management and a few months of hibernation, the cubs were looking in tip-top shape. Each cub is then tagged to help identify them in the future and allow scientists to collect important data. Finally, they are loaded up for a four-hour drive to their home range, the North Cascades, and set free into the forest.

**[Educational Message: When animals suffer from the worst that nature can throw at them, and the worst that humans do to them, it's crucial that wildlife professionals and everyday citizens step up when help is needed most. Their involvement can help take animals' lives from tragedy to triumph and get the second chance they need.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**  
**HUNGRY, HUNGRY HUNTERS! [EDD611]**

We're braving the wild to see the largest, strongest, and fastest hunters in the animal kingdom. Each of Earth's hungry hunters inspire both awe and fear with their lethal lease on life. But rarely is a meal easy to catch, so these hunters use their cunning and strategic action to create an opportunity that could mean the difference between filling their bellies or going home hungry. Whether you search high or low, you don't have to look far to find these masterful creatures. Soaring the skies is the vulture, one of the largest birds of prey. They are scavengers, feeding off the remains of the deceased and can spot meals from up to four miles away. Along the riverbanks of Africa, there's a razor-sharp reptile whose status as an elite apex predator has been more than ninety million years in the making. Crocodiles can be one thousand pounds and up to fifteen feet of pure muscle and brute force. These eating machines use their powerful jaws to eat half their body weight in a single meal! On the ground, prides of lions, clans of hyenas, and coalitions of cheetahs fiercely compete for territory and food. Herd mentality may be considered a prey animal mindset, but there is a wide array of benefits in sticking together. Though their bonds may look slightly different in each group, learning the ways of the wild is an education passed down through the generations of every animal.

**[Educational Message: It takes strength, skill, and, most of all, resilience to overcome the difficulties of predator life, but animals around the globe show us they're up for the challenge. While each species plays to their own strength, be it speed, surprise or stamina, all show us the determination and grit it takes to make it in an unforgiving wild.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**  
**THE RACE FOR INCLUSION [HGL211]**

Embarking on a transformative journey of inclusivity and empowerment, Hotshot, Cheese, and Wham discover an organization dedicated to constructing playgrounds for children of all abilities, inspired by the founder's cherished memories of their eldest son. Unveiling a myriad of benefits, including wheelchair-accessible ramps, these spaces foster an environment where children of diverse abilities can gather and play harmoniously. Later, Thunder, Hotshot, TNT, and Torch visit a racing school with a diversity initiative that trains diverse pit crew candidates looking for a future career in the world of motorsports. Here, the players meet trailblazer Brehanna Daniels, the first African American woman in a NASCAR Cup Series pit crew. The team gets hands-on experience with Brehanna's job as a pit crew tire changer and later participate in a friendly competition. Max Siegel, the owner of the racing school, further inspires by highlighting the school's commitment to providing access and opportunities for underrepresented women and people of color in motorsports.

**[Educational Message: The development of diversity focused initiatives and foundations provides greater access to underserved and diverse communities, such as the development of playgrounds designed to accommodate disabled children or training programs that provide a path to career in traditionally underrepresented career fields.]**

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**WILD CHILD**  
**GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER [WLC405]**

Grass provides a rich source of nutrients that can foster enormous size, like the African elephant or the million-member kangaroo mobs in Australia. Grass can provide water, shelter, and even create social interaction between species. So, it's no surprise that grasslands are a pretty popular place to call home for

many of the world's animals. From the sprinting cheetah cubs to the wrestling matches of the young male woodchucks, whether off on a morning flight or enjoying a more grounded wake up call, the animals of the grasslands are quick to jump into action. In the grasslands, few animals know how to stretch their legs like wild horses. Wild horse "bands" are made up of a dominant male stallion, mares, and their young, with the stallions capable weighing up to one thousand pounds and standing over five feet tall. While the great expanses of the grasslands are breathtaking to look at, their wide-open space means there are very few places to hide, which causes trouble for both predator and prey. To combat this lack of cover, many animals in this terrain use camouflage to survive, such as the coloring of the wild turkey or the almost perfect stillness of the young gazelle or the unique patterns of the spotted hyenas. While the open space of these areas lack cover, they do have plenty of real estate. Prairie dogs build complex subterranean burrows under this land and use some tunnel entrances as security outposts. Meanwhile, even a simple stalk of grass can be an ideal perch for finches. American Robins are also a familiar sight in these lush fields and meadows. They are recognized for producing iconic blue eggs, gained from a pigment in their mother's blood, and being the largest bird in the thrush group, with a wingspan almost a foot and a half long.

**[Educational Message: For our planet's terrestrial animals, there are few more important resources than grass, and the lush, open environments of Earth's grasslands have the room and resources to create vibrant, diverse animal communities – providing for species of all kinds, from the largest animals on land to the fastest, tallest, and strongest.]**

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#### **WILD CHILD**

#### **ZOOS AND FARMS [WLC218]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us to find some of the most incredible animals that live in farms and zoos around the world. First up, we'll find out more about the unique feathered species that call the farmyard home. We'll discover what makes Pekin Bantam chicken so fascinating. Pekin Bantam chickens, known for their fancy plumage, originated during the Qing Dynasty in what is now Beijing. We'll learn that pecking order not only determines each chicken's rank in the flock but also daily activities like who gets to peck at the food first. We'll also follow along with a speckled Sussex hen as she takes her older chicks out for a morning stroll. We'll learn that free ranging gives the chicks a chance to scratch up special treats like nutritious insects and worms. Next, we'll check in on a newborn gorilla spending time with its mother. We'll learn that gorilla infants are very similar to human babies, although they develop at a faster rate. At full maturity, gorillas can weigh up to four hundred pounds and are considered the most powerful primate. We'll also discover that gorillas spend considerably less time climbing trees than other great apes such as orangutans or chimpanzees.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we visited the farms and zoos of the world to discover more about their animal residents. These creature collectives can be great places for animals to rehabilitate or to lend a helping hoof.]**

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#### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **ASIAN ADVENTURES [EDD418]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on a journey to Asia to find the most fascinating animals that call this continent home. First up, we'll travel to Thailand to meet a troop of long-tailed macaques with a fascinating adaptation. Usually found amongst the trees eating fruit, a group of long-tailed macaques in Thailand have developed an ability they display almost nowhere else. Along the coastline at low tide, this extraordinary troop has learned to harvest a surprising food source, shellfish. Due to their

tough armor, shellfish wouldn't normally appear on the macaque's menu. Incredibly, these macaques have learned to use stones as tools in order to harvest their food. We'll discover that macaques actually select different shaped stones depending on the species of mollusk. Next, we'll travel to Ranthambore National Park in Northern India where we'll come face-to-face with the country's apex predator, the Bengal tiger. While a Bengal tiger's roar is loud enough to be heard from up to two miles away, we'll also discover that these predators are extremely skilled at stealth and camouflage. Although Bengal tigers are apex predators, we'll learn that they are only successful one out of every twenty hunts. Here we'll witness how various species of primates and deer living within the same habitat work together to avoid becoming the Bengal tiger's next prey.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an adventure to Asia to discover the animals that call this massive continent home. From climate to the environment, so many factors are stacked against them, but their ability to adapt is what makes the animals of Asia so special.]**

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### **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD INTO THE WOLF DEN [WLK112]**

Wolves are one of North America's most iconic animals, with the gray wolf being the most common, and the smaller and more endangered red wolf almost extinct. There were once up to half a million wolves in the United States, but because of their fierce reputation, the government started an intense program of wolf eradication which nearly wiped them out, leaving them in dire need of protection. In Missouri, our hosts visit an endangered wolf facility that was created to help grow the numbers of these endangered species and eventually release them back out into the wild. They are preparing their latest litter of pups that could soon be joining a small but growing wild population, and after a full body condition check, the pups get some vaccinations and a microchip inserted for tracking – this step is critical to make sure these prize pups stay strong and healthy and have a chance to run free. Wolves are in many ways just like people; they're very social animals that live together in extended family packs. In fact, they're one of the very few mammals where the adults will take care of the youngsters even if they're not its biological parents. Another organization in Minnesota, run by a mother-daughter duo: Peggy and Megan, is devoted to studying wolves and demonstrating that their terrible reputation is completely undeserved, focusing their mission on research, education, and conservation work of these wolves. The center began in 1990 when wildlife biologist Peggy decided to rescue wolves that would have otherwise been euthanized. Peggy figured that the more people understood about wolves, the more sympathetic they would be. Turning fragile wolf pups into successful wolf adults takes contributions from the entire pack, including a big assist from Peggy and Megan. From the original forty gray wolves that were rescued, the population has grown to more than eighty.

**[Educational Message: When it comes to endangered species, they need all the boost they can get. By observing the behavior and unique social interaction of wolves, more people can grow to appreciate these animals for what they truly are – vital to the health of our ecosystem.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER AQUATIC ADVENTURES [EDD612]**

Let's take a deep dive into the world of water-loving animals to see the creatures who live life in the splash zone. Our oceans make up about seventy percent of the planet's surface. Thousands of miles of rough, unforgiving deep seas separate the calmer shallows of the coastlines. Few creatures are willing to brave the daunting challenge it is to cross them. One of them is the sea turtle, who travels thousands of miles to lay around a hundred eggs on the beach, a strategy that has played out over the last two-hundred million

years! The waterfront is its own bevy of activity that sees a variety of fishing birds, from the Jacana to the Goliath heron, who scan the waters for ample pickings of insects and invertebrates and catch them with a deep dive or a sharp spear. Under the surface, crustaceans are a class of animal that seem straight out of the imagination, with bizarre shapes, vibrant colors, and skeletons on the outside. For instance, crabs come in fifty thousand different species alone, ranging in size from under an inch to over ten feet. Then, there are brachiopods who take in oxygen through their feet, barnacles that stay attached to the same place their entire lives, and shrimp who feed off parasites from would-be predators' mouths through symbiotic relationships. Able to thrive from the deepest ocean trenches to the sun-soaked shores, these creatures are more than just an intriguing sight – they are consummate survivors.

**[Educational Message: The animal kingdom doesn't discriminate when it comes to creatures who love the water. With so much of our planet covered by water, from mountain streams to open oceans, our aquatic habitats are bursting with an incredibly diverse array of life made even more astonishing by the different ways they've learned to survive beneath the surface.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD  
BIG HOPES [HGL208]**

While traveling with Bulldog to Corpus Christi, Texas, Hotshot, Hammer, and Coach Lou discover the impact of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program, leading to an incredible basketball game between the team and program youngsters. In bustling Chicago, the team meets Refugee One, a group that helps asylum seekers adjust to life in the US. They observe the challenges faced as well as the skills acquired in the program. Harlem's Hotshot and X-Over attend the DAAA Games to support dwarf basketball players

**[Educational Message: With the transformative power of mentorship and support programs comes inspiration in the strength and resilience of individuals overcoming challenges and fueling their own drive to make a difference in the world.]**

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**WILD CHILD  
FIERCE & FROSTY [WLC406]**

During the winter, it's not just the drop in temperature that can make life difficult. The cold weather means far less resources, and an often-overlooked challenge for animals is finding their next meal. Few are better at fighting the frost than animals such as the emperor penguins who will fish out at sea, bringing back a full belly of fish to share with their chicks while keeping them off the frigid ice, or the polar bear cubs, whose diet comprises of their mother's milk, known as the richest among all bear species due to its forty-eight percent fat composition, allowing them to attain a weight of over three hundred pounds by their first birthday. The Antarctic is one of the most extreme landscapes on the planet, so living there requires an equally extreme lifestyle. The Adelie penguin, for example, leave their colonies to go out to sea at just about seven to nine weeks old, making one hundred eighty-mile-long trips just to feed their young, swimming at speeds that are about ten times their speed on land, and diving as deep as five hundred feet in search of fish. On land, musk ox calves effortlessly brave strong winds, revealing a double-layered fur composition of a wooly undercoat and a shaggy topcoat that can grow well over two feet long, providing effective insulation.

**[Educational Message: Winter is the ultimate test of an animal's resourcefulness, especially for new parents, who must find enough to survive and provide. To thrive in the harsh winter conditions, animals have a few key traits to ensure their survival: thick coats, such as feathers or fur, compact bodies, even specialized circulation... but what really stands out is their hardiness – being able to**

**withstand some of the most extreme climates on the planet. They're a remarkable example of toughness in an unforgiving wild.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **REASON FOR THE SEASON [WLC219]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us around the world to spend time with animal families during the changing seasons. First up, we'll follow along with a new litter of coyote pups and learn more about their springtime habits. Sometimes referred to as "prairie wolves," coyotes can be found throughout the United States and Canada. We'll learn that after a two-month pregnancy, female coyotes can deliver anywhere from three to twelve pups. These spring babies weigh about one pound at birth and will feed on mother's milk for the first two weeks of life. At about one month old, baby coyotes will begin to explore outside of their den. We'll discover that coyotes will reach their full adult size at roughly one year old, which is about the same size as a medium domestic dog. Formidable predators, coyotes will dine on small and large mammals, frogs, snakes, and fish. Next, we'll learn that animals of all walks of life come into the world during autumn, including crocodiles. Known as the largest living reptile on the planet, we'll learn that adult saltwater crocodile's teeth can grow up to five inches long. Although when their lives start out, baby crocodiles are not quite as formidable. Here we'll follow along with saltwater crocodile hatchlings as they take their first swim. Testing out their instinctive hunting skills, these baby crocodiles go on the lookout for frogs and small aquatic insects. We'll learn that these babies won't reach maturity until roughly fourteen years old. Once fully grown, adult saltwater crocodiles have the strongest known bite pressure of any animal on the planet.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we visited some of the most fascinating animal families of the Spring and Fall. From learning how to walk to preparing for what lies ahead, Earth's adorable adolescents truly learn how to live in the wild during these changing seasons.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **PRIME-TIME MATES [EDD419]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us around the globe to discover more about our planet's primates. First up, we'll travel to the high altitudes of Southern China where snow blankets mountain peaks throughout the year. This remote and unwelcoming terrain is home to a species of primate that has superbly adapted to its extreme climate. The snub-nosed monkey makes their home more than two miles above sea level, the highest altitude of any primate. We'll learn that it's believed that the animal's snub nose evolved to avoid the otherwise inevitable frostbite that occurs in such harsh conditions. Next, we'll travel to the bamboo forests of Taiwan to meet a primate that's ruled the island far longer than any human. Extremely adapted to Taiwan's varying terrains, the Formosan rock macaque actually prefers a life in the trees. Macaques are quadrupedal, which means they walk on all four limbs. Highly intelligent, these macaques are always thinking up new ways to make foraging for food easier.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we spent time with some perky and prosperous primates. Life in the wild isn't always easy and surviving takes ingenuity, strength, and adaptability. But for species like these primate families, even in the wild there's always time to monkey around.]**

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### **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

## **PATHWAY TO PROTECTION [WLK113]**

Florida is home to eighty biodiverse ecosystems, many of which make up the Florida Wildlife Corridor – a massive network of protected and connected land, more than seven times the size of Yellowstone National Park. It's a lifeline for many endangered animals, especially the Florida panther, one of America's biggest cats. Just one male panther needs a range of two hundred square miles to hunt and find a mate. But because of human hunting and habitat devastation, these magnificent animals were once on the brink of extinction. Carlton Ward, a photographer and filmmaker, has used his stunning images to help get the habitat and the animals that are photographed reconnected so they're contiguous and they can naturally migrate as they used to do. Through his work with a local wildlife refuge, biologist Mark Danaher created several wildlife underpasses where animals can safely cross under a deadly highway and reconnect to their habitat on either side, allowing families to survive for years to come. Nearly sixty years ago, the American alligator was just as threatened as the Florida panther. In fact, both were listed as endangered the same year. Even though they are living dinosaurs, they too are susceptible to being preyed on by animals like black bears. Mother alligators stay with their hatchlings for at least the first year of their lives to protect them. They also produce a lot of eggs to account for losing some and they can re-nest if they have a nest failure. Thanks to conservation efforts like the Endangered Species Act, the American alligator is no longer in danger. While a panther will roam miles, scrub jays can't fly that distance and need these connected wild pathways to find their food on the ground, near where they build their nests. Scrub jays live on their turf their entire lives, but sadly, they have lost nearly ninety percent of their habitat, in part, due to urban development. All the birds born at a local research center are given identification bands and scientists have been studying their family trees for fifty years. These measurements will help determine the health of the larger population as well as individual birds.

**[Educational Message: The wildlife corridor extends hundreds of miles and benefits all types of animals. The use of hidden cameras has allowed biologists to study animal behavior never seen before, like how they interact with each other and how they care for their families. Huge open tracts of private land are now connected to the public conservation lands so that threatened and endangered animals have opportunities again to expand their numbers into central Florida and beyond.]**

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## **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

### **LIVING GREEN [EDD613]**

We're going green to see the animals who love life in the magical landscapes of forests, grasses, and jungles, all of which bring with them an abundance of resources, color, and biodiversity. Animals have learned to thrive at every level whether in the canopy or on the forest floor. These wooded playgrounds create a beautiful tapestry of unique habitats where life can flourish. On Vancouver Island, dense and impenetrable forests cover a rugged terrain and receive up to two hundred days of rain a year. This wet, temperate climate is home for creatures such as Canada's largest land mollusk, the banana slug, whose ten-inch-long physique can glide across the forest floor sampling fungi and decaying matter. Over in the vast expanse of the African savanna, the wet season brings about a flurry of friends among the vegetation, and for baboons, it's the perfect primate paradise. These arboreal havens can provide protection from predators and the elements while also being a rich source of food and nutrients, as well as a place to commune and help reinforce social structures within the troops. Although mostly solitary, this is also true for bears and bald eagles in British Columbia, who can be seen emerging from the sheltered forests to feast on the salmon that swim through the rivers nearby.

**[Educational Message: Trees may not have four walls and a roof, but they can certainly act as a welcome home and refuge for many animals in the wild. These lush and unique landscapes provide a wealth of habitats that support all manner of life. Hundreds of feet up a sequoia or under the fallen foliage, these treescapes breathe life into the animal kingdom and provide a collection of wild**

## wonders to behold.]

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### **HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD BRING IT HOME [HGL212]**

The team explores the history of famed "magic circle" tradition, a tradition that marks the beginning of every Globetrotters show that sets the stage for their court expertise, where five to six players form a circle and display their exceptional basketball-handling skills. This ball-handling tradition dates back to the 1942-1943 season with Bob Karstens, the first Caucasian to be under contract with the team. The team discusses their awe of their teammates' skills, finding the "magic circle" to be a position that requires hard work and dedication. Torch takes Bulldog and Hammer to her hometown, Reading, Pennsylvania, where they help her friend find a new-look for the high-school girls' basketball team she coaches by orchestrating a memorable donation of equipment from a local non-profit organization based in Philadelphia that takes in lightly used sporting goods and redistributes it to schools and coaches in need. In the process, the teammates volunteer their time inventorying some of the various equipment the non-profit has received. Bringing the thunder to his roots and remembering how sports helped him overcome his shyness, Corey's journeys to his hometown of Chesapeake, Virginia, where he reminisces with his sister about his childhood, his grandparents, and the start of his basketball dream: a backyard court set up by his grandfather. He also stops by his old high school and visits his high school basketball coach, where he discovers memorabilia highlighting his Globetrotters' legacy and reconnects with former teammates.

**[Educational Message: Character and integrity are traits that can be learned from the parental figures around us: your parents, grandparents, coaches, and teachers. Character is how you are, what you do, and how people see you. Integrity is the person you are when no one else is looking. Each person can change the world by starting small and helping those around you.]**

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### **WILD CHILD ZOO-PER HEROES [WLC407]**

In their early beginnings, zoos were little more than housing facilities for exotic and rare animals on display. In today's modern world, the over ten thousand zoos and wildlife sanctuaries around the world now play crucial roles by providing breeding programs, thoughtfully designed experiences, and extensive education initiatives to get a closer look at our favorite wild species. By learning about the animals, visitors gain a greater appreciation of the animals' needs: from understanding the importance of conserving habitats to the impact of expanding urbanization and seeing how actions in our home can affect the wildlife in theirs. From the hand-raised, bottled milk feeding of the lion cubs to the three-toed sloths who are able to gracefully and slowly traverse the tree branches, with host Sheinelle Jones, viewers get a peek of some of the work and animals happening in zoos and wildlife sanctuaries throughout the world. Only about one thousand eight hundred pandas remain in the wild and are an excellent example of the protection zoos and conservation parks can provide, with over six hundred being protected in these facilities. Across diverse habitats, chimpanzees gain recognition for their high intelligence and intricate social structures, establishing them as key contributors to their ecosystems. One of the best aspects of zoos are the ability to see animals from all over the world, such as the elusive knob-tailed geckos in Australia who are skilled at blending into their environment with rough due to their sandy-colored skin in their native sun-scorched environments, playing a crucial role in insect control.

**[Educational Message: Around the world, wildlife parks and zoos play crucial roles in the conservation of earth's most incredible animals by providing safe environments, breeding programs, and rehabilitation for endangered species, among many other critical activities. They**

**also serve as places of research, expanding our knowledge to better understand and care for our unique, captivating, and inspiring wild neighbors.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **PLAYFUL PAWS [WLC220]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us around the globe to celebrate the most playful newborns of the wild. First up, we'll learn that lakes and rivers provide food and shelter for many waterbirds. As we'll witness with a family of swans, watching their parents is the best way for babies to learn which food is good to eat and where to find it. Weighing almost thirty pounds on average, we'll learn that swans are the heaviest flying birds when fully mature. After a class on foraging for food in the water, we'll see how this swan mother teaches her young more life lessons such as how to groom their feathers. We'll discover that the oldest known swan lived to be twenty-six years old. Next, we'll join a capybara mother and her pups as they search for breakfast. As the largest rodents in the world, capybaras have an impressive set of incisors that allow these herbivores to slice through over six pounds of fresh greens per day. Here we'll witness how the mother capybara teaches her young how to find the lushest and tastiest treats. We'll learn that capybara mothers usually have one litter consisting of up to five young per year. Swimming is another important skill these capybara babies need to learn from their mother. We'll find out that if capybaras sense any trouble, the water is one of the safest places for them to retreat.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we met some of the most curious and playful newborns across our planet. Even though life in the wild has its hardships, there's always time for fun and frivolity with family and friends.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **THE MARCH FOR MAMMALS [EDD420]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on an adventure to discover more about Earth's most fascinating mammals. First up, we'll visit with a herd of Arabian oryx to learn more about these mythical-looking creatures. Once hunted to extinction in Oman, oryx were reintroduced into the wild in the 1970's. While tagging and monitoring has helped numbers rise, surviving this harsh climate is a difficult challenge. Native to these deserts, the oryx's white coats protect them from the intense heat. Traveling great distances in the harsh terrain, oryx have adapted to be able to go over a month without drinking water. Next, we'll visit with a herd of Asian elephants that call India home. We'll discover that the average elephant herd has mostly female members and young males. A fully grown adult can consume more than three hundred pounds of food in a single day. We'll find out that elephants will eat small plants, bushes, fruit, twigs, bark, roots, and varieties of grass. Next, we'll visit the Western Ghats to learn about one of the rarest monkeys in the world, the lion-tailed macaque. Also known as "wanderoos," lion-tailed macaque troops have a complex social structure that includes up to twenty individuals with one dominant male. Here we'll witness how lion-tailed macaques work as a group to alert other troop members of any danger that might be lurking below the trees.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we traveled around the globe in search of the most unique mammals in the animal kingdom. Whether in the mountains of India or the jungles of Borneo, these furry friends are a reminder that there's always something special waiting for us to discover in the wild.]**

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD  
SECRET LIFE OF SEA OTTERS [WLK114]**

Join us as we dive into the task of restoring the southern sea otter and the hidden environment it supports. These adorable marine mammals once rimmed the north Pacific from Japan all the way to Mexico, but in the early 1900s, the southern sea otter only had about fifty left in their natural population mostly due to geographic constriction. In California, endangered southern sea otters are on the rebound thanks to wildlife conservation. At an aquarium in Long Beach, California, conservationists have stepped in to help this struggling species with their surrogacy program, which pairs orphaned pups with adult females so that they can raise the pups and teach them skills needed to be wild otters. Eventually, those pups are released back into the ocean, which is saving sea otters who might have been abandoned in the wild or separated from their mothers. But the challenges run deep, all the way to the ocean floor. Their natural habitat along the coast has been ruined by a system out of balance. They're being attacked by white sharks, which is a new phenomenon for the area, and their home has been eaten out from underneath them. Ninety-five percent of the giant kelp forests that northern California's otters rely on have been devastated over the last decade by rampant sea urchins. The sunflower sea star population, which cruises around the reef eating urchins, was destroyed by a bizarre wasting syndrome. Without a healthy sunflower sea star population, the sea urchins of places like Monterey Bay have gone unchecked with disastrous results for this vibrant underwater ecosystem. But sea otters love to feed on urchins, and their foraging is one of the things maintaining the few remaining patches of kelp forest in the area. Thanks to the success of the surrogacy program, their survival overall keeps marine habitats robust and healthy.

**[Educational Message: Sea otters are much more than just a cute furry face. They play a role known as a keystone species where their presence transforms an ecosystem and has a profound impact on how well that ecosystem thrives.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
GETTING SOCIAL IN THE SAVANNA [EDD608]**

We're dropping in on the wild animal soiree happening right here in the savanna. For wild animals, being social isn't just about having a good time, it's a crucial survival tactic that offers a wide range of benefits. But every animal shows their affection differently. The mighty lion, one of Africa's more ferocious predators, can be seen cuddling, grooming, and sharing afternoon catnaps with fellow members of the pride. Lower down the food chain, impala adult males will band together with other bachelors while females stay with their herd, but all must be adaptable due to constant threats: dry season, changing resources, and predators. Around the waterhole, the savanna's most social spot, are cape buffalo who use hierarchy as their social foundation. This is determined by size, and males can keep growing indefinitely, so they use confrontations as exhibitions in power and brute force. Let's not forget one of the most social of all: the elephant. Whether bathing, playing, or eating, elephants always stick together. Their emotional intelligence runs deep, so for them banding together isn't just for safety, it ensures their strong family dynamics and that no member gets left behind.

**[Educational Message: From the countless numbers of impala herds to tightknit elephant families, it's clear there are plenty of advantages to gregarious living. Maintaining social bonds means protection, sharing resources, and celebrating companionship. These creature communities show us that in the wild, no task is too tough with family and friends by your side.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

### **GLOBETROTTING WITH STEAM [HGL214]**

Embarking on an educational journey, TNT, Cheese, and Hotshot visit a robotics program dedicated to sparking interest and passion in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM) learning. Here, students are equipped with the skills to thrive in a rapidly changing world, learning to problem solve and fostering their curiosity, creativity, exploration, persistence, and resilience. Meanwhile, Hammer is visited by some students he previously spoke to about his real estate business and key tools he uses as an entrepreneur who are seeking additional mentorship. Joined by Coach Handles, the group converse about their dreams and visions beyond basketball and emphasize the importance of being open to multiple paths and the importance of education and diversity of thought. In another adventure, Cheese, Wham, Hammer, and Hotshot immerse themselves in the fascinating world of animals at a Georgia theme park, encountering some unexpected feelings towards snakes and gaining insights into the diverse patterns of giraffes. Additionally, Coach Lou and Thunder brush up on Thunder's Spanish skills before embarking on a food tour at a bodega (a small grocery store) in Mexico and doing a little bit of math.

**[Educational Message: Passion, curiosity, and continuous learning are keys to success in an ever-evolving world. Embrace the unknown, mentor others with encouragement, and find joy in the exploration of new knowledge.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **AFRICA'S WILDEST WILDERNESS [WLC408]**

Whether on the prowl or evading danger, animals must possess a well-thought-out plan to ensure their continued existence, particularly among younger generations like lion cubs. Excepting a small population in India, almost all of Earth's wild lions live in Africa. A mother lioness gives birth to a litter of approximately one to six cubs. The lioness will keep their cubs away from the rest of the pride until they are about eight weeks. The lion cub's journey for survival begins at this stage where they will learn valuable skills like hunting, even amid storms, where noise and wind can provide cover. For every animal family, finding the perfect home is crucial to a successful upbringing. A single lion pride's territory, for instance, can be as large as two hundred square miles, whereas the mongoose families move their dens every few days to keep predators guessing. Birds, like the brightly covered weavers, are some of the savanna's most impressive architects, building nests that can house hundreds of birds in different chambers. In the diverse ecosystems of the wild, camouflage emerges as a crucial survival strategy for countless creatures. Whether they are covered in fur, feathers, or scales, blending in is a must. The predator cheetah's coat has a unique pattern of spots that help them identify one another while also camouflaging them to their prey; while the bold black and white stripes of the zebras are color-coated in a way to confuse predators when the herd stands together, making it hard to pick out any one individual. The vast grassy plains of the savanna serve as nurturing grounds for many newborns, including the nearly half a million wildebeest calves born annually. Female wildebeests instinctively opt to give birth within the protective center of the herd, maximizing the chances of their offspring's survival, and once the newborns are up on their feet, it's time to move. The herd's migration is considered one of the most impressive on earth, with over one and a half million wildebeests moving across the landscape together, alongside other species like zebras and gazelles that may join them on their journey.

**[Educational Message: Survival in the wild demands a precise combination of skills for both predators and prey. Strength, agility, and adaptability are keys to success for any animal, but another critical component is strategy. Whether on the hunt or avoiding being hunted, animals must have a plan of attack to make sure they see another day.]**

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## **WILD CHILD**

### **ASIAN ICONS [WLC221]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on an adventure back to Asia to find more of the fascinating animal families that call this region home. First up, we'll discover more about the National Animal of India, the Bengal tiger. We'll learn that the Bengal tiger population makes up about half of all tiger populations in the world. We'll discover that unlike most house cats, tigers love the water and are very strong swimmers. When in pursuit of a meal, Bengal tigers have the ability to paddle across wide rivers. Next, we'll learn more about one of Asia's most iconic insects, the ladybug. Found throughout the Asian continent, these spotted insects begin their lives inside a small egg laid on a leaf. Here we'll witness the fascinating metaphorization process of ladybugs as they hatch and begin their lives as larvae. On average, this extraordinary process lasts about two weeks from start to finish. As beautiful as ladybugs are, their stunning red coats are actually a warning sign to any would-be predators. We'll learn that the more vibrant the color, the more toxic the beetle. These naturally fabulous pest controllers can be seen crawling throughout Asia's varied plant life for up to three years. We'll also discover that across many cultures, ladybugs are a symbol of good fortune.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we learned more about the animals living on one of the world's most extreme continents. From the peak of Mt. Everest to the depths of the Dead Sea, Asia is home to equally exceptional animals that have thrived for generations.]**

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## **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

### **TEACHER'S PETS [EDD421]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us around the globe to find the most intelligent creatures in the animal kingdom. First up, we'll travel to the beaches of Japan to discover a uniquely adapted primate, the Japanese macaque. We'll find a group of macaques that have evolved a culinary preference for washing their food before eating. Using their highly dexterous fingers, these macaques clean, peel, and even season their food by dipping it in the salty water between bites. We'll discover that this fascinating behavior was self-taught and demonstrates a very high level of intelligence. Next, we'll visit the coastline of the Atlantic Ocean to learn more about an incredible bird species, the white stork. The area known as the Iberian Peninsula is home to the only colony of cliff-nesting white storks in the world. We'll discover that white stork nests are sturdy enough to withstand the extreme location as the same nesting sites are used year after year. These massive nests measure up to six feet wide, ten feet deep, and can weigh over one thousand pounds. Here we'll witness how white storks work as a team to ensure their survival for future generations to come. Next, we'll journey to Africa to learn more about one of the continent's most efficient hunters, the wild dog. African wild dogs have large, rounded ears that are useful for temperature control as well as hearing. We'll discover that by using communication to outwit their prey, almost seventy-five percent of wild dog hunts end in a kill. That's more than twice the success rate of a pride of lions.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an excursion into the wild to find some of Earth's smartest animals. These brilliant creatures have perfected their survival skills, passing them down to ensure their species can thrive through the generations.]**

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## **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

### **URBAN WILDLIFE [WLK115]**

With thousands of species in North America, you're bound to cross paths with creatures no matter where you live. In fact, even in the dense cities that dot the continent, animal and human habitats are colliding more and more. So, conservationists have answered the call to help wild animals survive in the urban

jungle. Outside of downtown Seattle, a local wildlife sanctuary has been treating injured wildlife for over forty years. In that time, they've cared for over one hundred-forty thousand animals, from bobcats to barred owls. The trauma center is a flurry of activity where the animals receive initial examinations and treatment. Over time, they are rehabilitated back to health where they are evaluated for release; if they pass the test, they get to go back home. In the sprawling city of Los Angeles, there lives almost four million people. From the mountains to the ocean, this vibrant landscape is alive with dozens of animal species, and as human development expands, these creatures are losing their homes. This bustling metropolis may not seem like cougar country, but it's the backdrop to the story of an inspirational cat. P-22, the famous mountain lion that lived in the heart of Los Angeles for a decade, was discovered to have crossed through multiple major freeways and urban development to end up in the wilderness area known as Griffith Park – the smallest home range of any mountain lion ever studied. As part of a study, P-22 was fitted with a tracking collar to further analyze his movements. When concerns arose about how he would ever be able to find a mate, the mission began to raise the funds for a wildlife crossing across the freeway. This was no easy feat, but thankfully P-22 gained his own celebrity status, which served as the catalyst for the campaign. After incredible success, ground was officially broken on what will be the largest wildlife crossing in the world. Another exploration of urban wildlife finds us in the great state of Texas, which is home to more bats than anywhere else in the country. In Austin, local organizations rescue and rehabilitate hundreds of bats every year. By not only saving the bats they find, they hope to also educate the public in hopes to help keep bats out of harm's way. In time, they are released to rejoin the bat colony living underneath a bridge. In the evenings, this colony can be seen taking part in a spectacular swarm as they leave to forage for food, a sight observed by many locals and tourists alike, which serves as a reminder of how humans can peacefully coexist with wildlife.

**[Educational Message: Wild animals are running free through our cities, showing up in our backyards, and hanging out in man-made spaces. But crossings and fences are just a small part of protecting both these wild and urban areas. We need to spread the word, change our habits, and learn to coexist with wild neighbors, because protecting our planet is the key to having ecosystems that function, which we need to survive.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**MOVERS & SHAKERS [EDD609]**

We're traversing the landscape to meet the animals who love to live life on the move. Many animal species move hundreds, even thousands of miles on a regular basis, and for a myriad of reasons. This epic endeavor is called migration, a natural phenomenon driven by instinct and necessity. Take elephants, for instance, who can easily travel up to twenty miles a day to find nourishment. Resources are slim in the dry season, so they'll take any variety of food they can find and search far and wide to get it. They've colonized all available environments with their adaptability, making their survival sense as impressive as their unmatched size. Baboons, however, mostly migrate to find relief from heat. Unlike other monkeys, they spend more time on the ground in the trees, so when in straying into new territory, the alpha must head up the rear for protection. It may take days, but they won't stop until they find food and shelter. For queleas, it's all about water. Their migration patterns chase the rain as it provides an abundance of their favorite foods as well as the perfect environment for breeding, and as a result, red-billed queleas boast the largest population of wild birds on the planet, forming super colonies by the millions. Wildebeests know this strategy well, as they also adopt strength in numbers to organize their mass annual trek around the continent.

**[Educational Message: It's not just about the distance traveled when it comes to moving around, it's about making the most of the journey. Whether for food, water, weather, or better breeding grounds, each animal knows how to take full advantage of their time on the road and passes along their travel tips to the next generation.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

**THE GIFTED GIVERS [HGL215]**

Each year, approximately two hundred thousand veterans end their tour of duty and return home to the United States and that transition can be very difficult, especially for those suffering with conditions such as post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) or other related mental issues. That's why, in this episode, Wham takes his veteran cousin, Ira, and a group of other former military service members to visit a veterans' support organization in Suffolk, Virginia that provides a unique type of therapy to combat those conditions: skydiving. Those who have participated in the program found that it provided motivation and gave the veterans a renewed sense of purpose, a reconnection with their community, and a means to become physically active again. Meanwhile, Bulldog travels back to his hometown in Corpus Christie with his mom and self-reflects on his time there, recounting his mother's new job when he was seventeen years old, which took him from his childhood home to a new city for his senior year of high school. While it was a tough move, it ended up being one of the best things for him at the time, increasing his resilience and pushing him to put in the work to be the starter at a new school with new teammates. It is estimated that seven hundred thirty-five million people in the world faced hunger in 2022. One Dominican Republic school that is visited by Hot Rod and Thunder is looking to find a common solution for that by focusing on teaching children the importance of growing their own food, emphasizing crop cultivation and nutrition, and providing crops from its garden to the local community.

**[Educational Message: Through shared experiences and support, we discover new paths to purpose and fulfillment.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**JUNGLE JAMS [WLC401]**

Jump into the smaller corners of the map with Host Sheinelle Jones as we encounter the remarkable wildlife that exemplifies the unique and diverse nature of the world's jungles. Jungle activity in the morning starts with breakfast, from the orangutans who come down to the forest floor for a quick bite to the hyacinth macaw breaking into their favorite snack: the coconut. As they eat, we learn that orangutans are the world's largest tree-dwelling animals, showcasing impressive physical attributes such as reaching heights of up to five feet and weighing as much as two hundred pounds. Venturing further into the jungle and the day, we encounter the agile colobus monkeys, known for their remarkable ability to leap over fifty feet between trees, and the omnivorous chimpanzee, who can live to over fifty years old in the wild. We also encounter the Asian elephant as they practice trunk control and learn that despite being smaller than their African counterparts, male Asian elephants can still weigh over ten thousand pounds, while newborns can weigh over two hundred pounds and stand up to three feet tall. When you live in the jungle, pests can also be a constant problem; and in the animal world, hygiene and self-care is part of the daily routine and is often a group effort

**[Educational Message: The jungles of the world are untamed tropical wonderlands that are bursting at the seams with exotic flora and fauna that are a feast for the eyes. From animals like the jaguar, orangutan, and Bengal tiger, there is much to see, and yet there are so many hidden gems yet to be discovered within this mysterious wild.]**

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## **WILD CHILD**

### **BACK TO THE OUTBACK [WLC222]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us back to Australia to discover more about its fascinating animal families. First up, we'll start the day with a family of eastern gray kangaroos as they begin their morning routine. We'll learn that when kangaroos are first born, the youngsters are only roughly the size of a jellybean. While they are surrounded by grass, these babies won't start having a nibble until they leave their mother's pouches at around ten months old. In the meantime, these babies will continue to enjoy their mother's milk. We'll learn that mother kangaroos produce two different types of milk for each stage of their joey's growth. We'll also discover that once a joey has left the pouch, often its mother gives birth to another joey that has been lying dormant so she can have two joeys suckling on her at once. Next, we'll join a mother koala and her joey to discover more about these magnificent marsupials. This koala joey is six months old, which is way too big to fit inside of its mother's pouch. We'll witness how this joey gets to instead hitch a ride on its mother's back while the two search for the freshest eucalyptus leaves. We'll learn that koalas will eat over two pounds of eucalyptus leaves per day. But we'll also discover that due to their low nutrient diet, koalas sleep almost twenty hours per day.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an adventure back to the Australian Outback to learn more about its fascinating animal residents. From kangaroos to koalas, these unique animal species of Australia cannot be found anywhere else on our planet.]**

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## **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

### **SNOWFALL FOR ALL [EDD422]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on a journey to the snowiest places on Earth. First up, we'll journey to Northern Alaska to learn more about a family of Arctic foxes. Arctic foxes are monogamous and will typically mate for life. We'll learn that furry soles keep Arctic fox's feet protected from the snow and ice. We'll also discover that short ears and a short muzzle reduces surface area, minimizing heat loss. Here we'll witness the fascinating hunting techniques used by Arctic foxes to find food in the deep Alaskan snow. Next, we'll travel to the Arctic to learn more about an Ice Age relic, the musk ox. Perfectly suited to this unforgiving environment, we'll discover that musk ox fur grows up to three feet long and is blizzard proof. We'll learn that despite living in these harsh conditions, musk ox calves are able to keep up with the herd within just a few hours of birth. We'll also find out that when musk oxen feel threatened, they will form a circle around their young. Next, we'll take a journey to the mountains of Southern China where we'll discover a strange primate that roams the frozen landscape, the snub-nosed monkey. Capable of withstanding the punishing conditions, we'll learn that snub-nosed monkeys live at the highest altitude of any primate on Earth. Living in colonies of around sixty individuals and isolated on mountain tops, we'll discover how snub-nosed monkeys have uniquely evolved to cope with the extreme conditions of Southern China.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we braved the wintry wilds of our planet for a look at the animals that call these regions home. Cold environments aren't for all creatures, but for the animals that learn to thrive there every day is a winter wonderland.]**

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## **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

### **WINGED WONDERS [WLK108]**

Winged animals, like birds and bats, play a key role in the diverse ecologies that connect America's vast landscapes. In fact, more than eight hundred species of birds are found in the United States, but key factors, such as human activity, has taken its toll on their populations. When the mighty bald eagle

disappeared from the Channel Islands of California due in part to pollution in the area, golden eagles moved in and hunted the endemic foxes on the island. So, conservationists teamed up to relocate many of the golden eagles back to the mainland and reintroduced bald eagles into the ecosystem. Off the rocky coastline of Maine, puffins also once faced massive decline from hunting, but local conservation efforts came to the rescue using translocation and dedicated biologists who continue to do research in efforts to keep puffins around for good. Deep in the heart of Texas, bats make their infamous exhibition from Bracken Cave, home to the largest congregation of mammals in the world, where they emerge in a swarm for their nocturnal feast. Their insect-rich diet helps reduce crop damage and the need for pesticide. But half of all bat species in North America are under threat; and it takes the work of conservationists and biologists to preserve colonies like these and educate people about their ecological importance. Conversely, some birds are the danger itself rather than in danger. In the Mojave Desert, the raven abounds due to human development, which is bad news for the tortoise – the ravens' favorite snack. Thankfully, as one of the most intelligent birds on the planet, ravens are also trainable, and scientists have discovered the helpful use of firing lasers to move ravens away from tortoise habitats, in hopes this will help restore balance.

**[Educational Message: If you don't look up, you could miss some of the world's most magnificent flying spectacles. From the alpine forests to the eastern seashore and everything in between, birds and bats contribute to the Earth's ecology in countless ways, and protecting these creatures is vital for our wildlife.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
THE HABITS OF HERBIVORES [EDD610]**

Join us for a vegetarian vacation to meet the world's most iconic plant-eaters. In the wild, animals are as diverse in their food habits as we are. But for land's biggest eaters, it's the herbivore diet that takes the cake. Herbivores come in all shapes, sizes, and colors, but a common theme is dark coats. They act as a subtle disguise amongst the shade, but the downside is that they attract swarms of pests, except for zebras whose black-and-white striped hide disorients bugs, working as a natural insect repellent. Elephants also tend to avoid pests altogether thanks to their lack of sweat glands and, like many herbivores, can be seen getting in on the fun of a mud bath for good measure. Elephants aren't the only heavyweight herbivores roaming the wild. The Bovidae family share common traits, such as cloven hooves or males with horns, across seventy-five species! But each species is organized differently – about forty-three species live in communities, while thirty-two of them keep to themselves. For buffalos, living in groups is a key to their survival strategy. The mass of any herd, with every animal keeping watch, can be a strong deterrent for any predator. While the buffalo make up a tight-knit group, giraffes are a different story entirely. Indeed, they are gregarious, often mingling with different individuals at different times, without any single leader. Yet, in general, they are physically and socially apart from one another.

**[Educational Message: There are constant dangers for our planet's wild vegetarians. From predators to limited resources, herbivores need to know how to combat any challenges thrown at them, but their versatility and unique brand of survival have created a majestic group of creatures that are stunning in look as well as behavior.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD  
BIG HOPES [HGL208]**

While traveling with Bulldog to Corpus Christi, Texas, Hotshot, Hammer, and Coach Lou discover the impact of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters program, leading to an incredible basketball game between the

team and program youngsters. In bustling Chicago, the team meets Refugee One, a group that helps asylum seekers adjust to life in the US. They observe the challenges faced as well as the skills acquired in the program. Harlem's Hotshot and X-Over attend the DAAA Games to support dwarf basketball players.

**[Educational Message: With the transformative power of mentorship and support programs comes inspiration in the strength and resilience of individuals overcoming challenges and fueling their own drive to make a difference in the world.]**

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#### **WILD CHILD**

#### **AFRICAN YOU BELIEVE IT?! [WLC402]**

Journey through the African savanna with host Sheinelle Jones and discover a captivating array of creatures, each showcasing its own distinct charm within this diverse kingdom. The African savanna is one of Earth's wonders of biodiversity, a picturesque expanse of gold and green grasslands dotted with acacia trees, that provides an environment where truly remarkable creatures have flourished. Each inhabitant of this untamed playground, which is as breathtaking as it is dangerous, brings its own style and personality. From the elephants, who are up at dawn to start their sixteen hours of grazing to allow for rapid daily weight gain of up to two pounds per day, to the rhinos, who are experts at relaxation, resting constantly to combat the heat of the day, and the hyenas whose days actually end in the morning after a full night hunting. For each animal, one of each day's highest priorities is food. Many animals, like elephants and giraffes, are herbivores, whose primary food source is grass, while others prefer a more carnivorous diet, including cheetahs and hyenas. Though, for many young, the primary diet is their mother's milk, such as hyenas, whose mothers will nurse their young for over a year. While elephants, rhinos, and lions take center-stage when we think of Africa's animals, birds are equally awe-inspiring inhabitants of the area with their stunning plumage, melodic calls, and unique behaviors. The gray crowned crane, for example, is an omnivore that performs elaborate mating dances to find its perfect single lifelong mate; and some feathered friends even assist their mammal counterparts, such as impalas to keep their coats pest free.

**[Educational Message: The African savanna is a majestic landscape spanning five million square miles with a tropical climate and lush grasslands supporting millions of animals. Amongst them, includes the largest land mammal, the tallest animal, the fastest animal, and a few that are truly unique. Here, the delicate balance of predator and prey is always on show and acts as a reminder that each animal plays a critical role in this unique habitat.]**

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#### **WILD CHILD**

#### **ADMIRE MAMMALS [WLC223]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us around the globe to find the most fascinating and furry animals on Earth. First up, we'll spend the day with a litter of pug puppies. We'll discover that pugs date back to the Han dynasty of ancient China. The Han dynasty is known for scientific advancements including the invention of paper. With their squishy cheeks and charming personalities, pugs were once prized by the emperors of China. We'll discover that pugs were reserved for royalty and only given as gifts to those outside the imperial court in ancient China. Here we'll follow along as the newest pug puppies explore their very own backyard empire. Next, we'll spend time with a family of eastern grey kangaroos as they begin their morning routine. We'll learn that when kangaroos are first born, the youngsters are only roughly the size of a jellybean. While they are surrounded by grass, these babies won't start having a nibble until they leave their mother's pouches at around ten months old. In the meantime, these babies will continue to enjoy their mother's milk. We'll learn that mother kangaroos produce two different types of milk for each stage of their joey's growth. We'll also discover that once a joey has left the pouch, often its mother gives



birth to another joey that has been lying dormant so she can have two joeys suckling on her at once.

**[Educational Message: Things aren't always easy for nature's newborns and sometimes they can find themselves in some hairy situations. But these marvelous mammals always know where to turn for the love and care they need to survive and thrive in the wild.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER  
INTO THE DEPTHS [EDD423]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us to the unbelievable underwater worlds of the animal kingdom. First up, we'll travel to Lake Nasser, one of the largest manmade lakes in the entire world. Lake Nasser is named after Gamal Abdel Nasser, who was the president of Egypt when it was built. One creature that benefits from Lake Nasser's shoreline more than most is the Nile crocodile. After a successful breeding season, we'll follow a female crocodile as she builds her nest and deposits her eggs. Here we'll witness the incredible instincts of a fiercely protective mother as she defends her young. We'll discover that Nile crocodiles can live to be over fifty years old in the wild. Next, we'll travel to the coast of Florida to learn more about one of the brainiest animals in the ocean, the dolphin. Here we'll witness the dolphin's ingenious method of stirring up silt to corral their prey. We'll see firsthand how the advanced level of problem solving and teamwork clearly demonstrate the dolphin's incredible intelligence. We'll also find out that dolphins are one of only a few species that can recognize themselves in a mirror.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took an adventure beneath the waves to see some of Earth's most amazing aquatic animals. These underwater worlds are home to so many animal species that have learned to thrive where it's wet and wild.]**

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**MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD  
THE FOREST BENEATH THE SEA [WLK109]**

Journey with us to the edge of the mighty Pacific Ocean in California, famous for its pristine natural beauty, including the magical kelp forests beneath the waves. Underwater kelp forests are a vital home for a host of amazing species. Although kelp behaves like a plant, it's actually a type of algae and has the ability to produce oxygen at rates that exceed those of terrestrial forests. But recently, kelp forests have suffered the most devastating mass die-off event ever recorded. In the north coast of California, ninety-six percent of kelp canopies have been lost, as millions of invading sea urchins are eating them to extinction. This is a result of huge warm water events that encapsulated the coastline, which nearly destroyed a critically important predator of sea urchins – the sunflower sea star, one of the largest sea stars in the world. Restoring kelp forests will require intense conservation on many fronts. Commercial fishing is one resource that helps bring balance back by using traps; sea urchins are considered a delicacy to eat, and there's a growing market for them, so removing them is quick, effective, and profitable. It's a good start, but kelp forests won't fully recover until sunflower sea stars are restored in the ecosystem. Some of the most groundbreaking work into sea star recovery is coming from local maritime facilities and laboratories who raising sea stars to reintroduce them to the wild and repopulate the areas where these sea stars have disappeared and protect the kelp there.

**[Educational Message: Kelp forests are the biological backbone for marine animals of every shape and size. It takes the work of vigilant stewards of conservation to restore sunflower sea stars, reduce the spread of purple sea urchins, and finally revive kelp forests.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**  
**HUNGRY, HUNGRY HUNTERS! [EDD611]**  
We're braving the wild to see the largest, strongest, and fastest hunters in the animal kingdom. Each of Earth's hungry hunters inspire both awe and fear with their lethal lease on life. But rarely is a meal easy to catch, so these hunters use their cunning and strategic action to create an opportunity that could mean the difference between filling their bellies or going home hungry. Whether you search high or low, you don't have to look far to find these masterful creatures. Soaring the skies is the vulture, one of the largest birds of prey. They are scavengers, feeding off the remains of the deceased and can spot meals from up to four miles away. Along the riverbanks of Africa, there's a razor-sharp reptile whose status as an elite apex predator has been more than ninety million years in the making. Crocodiles can be one thousand pounds and up to fifteen feet of pure muscle and brute force. These eating machines use their powerful jaws to eat half their body weight in a single meal! On the ground, prides of lions, clans of hyenas, and coalitions of cheetahs fiercely compete for territory and food. Herd mentality may be considered a prey animal mindset, but there is a wide array of benefits in sticking together. Though their bonds may look slightly different in each group, learning the ways of the wild is an education passed down through the generations of every animal.

**[Educational Message: It takes strength, skill, and, most of all, resilience to overcome the difficulties of predator life, but animals around the globe show us they're up for the challenge. While each species plays to their own strength, be it speed, surprise, or stamina, all show us the determination and grit it takes to make it in an unforgiving wild.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**  
**BALLERINAS, DANCERS, AND...GLOBETROTTERS? [HGL209]**  
Buzzing with excitement, Hotshot and Cheese join Jet in showing their everlasting support as pillars of the community assemble to honor Jet for his community work in his hometown. Hammer and Zeus continue their effort to inspire by visiting a local high school where they share their expertise and experiences as successful entrepreneurs. Inspired by their fluency, several Globetrotters attend a Cuban ballet lesson, learning that ballet is not as "easy" as basketball but that they are more proficient in the art than expected. Thunder, Ace, and Moose seek an adventure to experience Iceland's Blue Lagoon after a long voyage as they continue to live up to what it takes to be a Globetrotter.

**[Educational Message: Working hard is a key factor in achieving one's goals, and by gaining knowledge about the challenges and triumphs of entrepreneurship, along with implementing effective strategies such as staying adaptable to overcome them, success can be attained.]**

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**WILD CHILD**  
**INTO THE WOODS [WLC403]**  
From the lush tropical rainforests of Brazil to the majestic giant sequoias in California, forests cover approximately thirty-one percent of the Earth's landmass and act as the earth's lung's, creating over twenty-five percent of the oxygen we breathe. On average, each tree provides enough oxygen to keep humans breathing for up to one year, and a single mature oak can be home to over one hundred different species of plants and animals. We begin our journey in the forest canopy, where we encounter the long-eared owl chick and its devoted father. These remarkable birds have an exceptional ability to hear, allowing them to catch prey even in complete darkness. As we move through the forests of the world, we meet the

beloved black and white pandas, who have a unique diet of nutrient-poor bamboo, requiring them to consume large quantities to sustain themselves, spending up to sixteen hours a day eating this favorite snack. Meanwhile, in the North American forests, the grizzly bear, one of the largest bear species on the planet, is fishing in the rushing rivers. These formidable creatures rely on their sharp, lengthy claws to catch salmon for sustenance, with some males weighing over seven hundred pounds. In any forest wilderness, good looks can run in the family, but not always from birth. The unmistakable beauty of a peacock's plumage takes patience. Male peafowl chicks don't develop their color until around two to three years old; but once developed, a peacock's feather train can grow as long as five feet and be comprised of up to two hundred feathers.

**[Educational Message: With towering trees, dense undergrowth, and resources in abundance, forests create a haven of stunning biodiversity. The creatures in these mystical and wonderful locales have found creative ways to use every level of the trees to their advantaging, allowing so many different species to flourish and to serve as a reminder of how versatile nature can be.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **THE SAVANNA SUN [WLC224]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on a safari to get up close and personal with some of Africa's most iconic animals. First up, we'll start the morning with a massive mammal, the African buffalo. Like most cattle, these enormous bovines are gregarious, happily living together in large groups. We'll discover that some herds can contain more than one thousand individuals. Here we'll learn about the advantages of being part of such a large community. Aside from safety in numbers, we'll find out that knowledge of suitable grazing spots is shared so that the whole herd can join in on the feast. Grass is the preferred cuisine for African buffalo, but they will also eat various herbs and shrubs should the need arise. Next, we'll visit with a herd of African elephants. Here we'll witness elephant activities such as dust baths, which not only protects their skin from the sun, but also helps keep away pesky insects. We'll also see how the older elephants teach their calves how to mud roll, a technique that helps remove unwanted parasites. We'll learn that elephant trunks are considered one of the most sensitive organs in any known animal. Although not used for chewing, we'll also find out that elephant tusks are actually enlarged incisor teeth. We'll join the herd for a pool party and witness how elephant babies learn and form social bonds.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took a journey to the African Savanna to learn about the fascinating animals that give this region its unique personality. Flocks of colorful birds and enormous bovine herds are just some of the animals that make Africa one of the richest environments in the animal kingdom.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **PEAK PERFORMANCES [EDD424]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on a journey to find animals that thrive at some of the highest elevations on Earth. First up, we'll travel to the highest and most extensive mountain range system, the Alps. The Alps are home to an estimated 30,000 animal species and roughly 13,000 plant species. Here we'll meet a unique creature that calls this region home, the Alpine marmot. Too small to face winter above ground, marmots will live in dens during the coldest times of the year. We'll learn that alpine marmots prefer a diet of foods considered high in fatty acids. These marmots must double their weight in order to survive the winter. We'll witness how Alpine marmots search for food while also avoiding predators in the harsh landscape. Next, we'll travel to the forests of India to find the lion-tailed macaque. Living in troops of up to twenty individuals, lion-tailed macaques will sometimes have more than one adult male in

the group. Lion-tailed macaques typically live up to forty years old in captivity and up to thirty years in the wild. Here we'll learn about the unique hierarchy of bachelor macaques in the jungles of India.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we discovered the animals that love altitude. Whether escaping from predators or eyeing up some prey, these skyscraping creatures have taken the high life to a whole new level.]**

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## **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

### **BABY ANIMALS [WLK110]**

Baby animals are the next generation of life, and little is more important than their survival. But the youngest among us are also the most vulnerable, and the first year of life poses the toughest challenges. For instance, on the sunny beaches of Florida, five out of seven species of sea turtles make their nests, but just one in one thousand sea turtle hatchlings will make it to maturity. Some scientists are researching these nests to figure out the overall hatch success of the island, and because of their work, thousands of precious hatchlings will get a second chance at life. On the rocky coastline of New England, Atlantic puffins were once almost gone due to factors like hunting and habitat loss. Now, up to three thousand of these resilient seabirds are nesting here once again thanks to local conservation programs, such as dedicated teams on the small island of Eastern Egg Rock who constantly monitor the overall health of the birds and their habitat. In the Mojave Desert, a thirty-million-year-old resident has nearly faced eviction due to human development and invasive predators. One field team in this area is tracking adult female tortoises in the desert, where they're temporarily removed from the wild and brought to a nursery to lay their eggs. Over seventy babies a year are raised through this program and each one is crucial to the recovery of the entire species. In Missouri, the Ozark hellbender, a native salamander species, is getting a head start at a new life. Like all amphibians, salamanders breathe water through their skin, which makes them vulnerable to changes in the environment. Globally, more than forty percent of amphibians are now in danger of extinction due to pollution, disease, and habitat loss. But a local zoo is spearheading efforts to save the endangered Ozark hellbender through a pioneering breeding program. Once they're large enough, and with help from the local government wildlife departments, they are released to their new homes in the Ozarks, where hellbenders have lived for thousands of years.

**[Educational Message: Protecting babies is a difficult job, but conservation heroes are needed across North America to breed endangered species for release into the wild, ensuring that baby animals survive, thrive, and go on to create future generations in our world.]**

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## **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

### **AQUATIC ADVENTURES [EDD612]**

Let's take a deep dive into the world of water-loving animals to see the creatures who live life in the splash zone. Our oceans make up about seventy percent of the planet's surface. Thousands of miles of rough, unforgiving deep seas separate the calmer shallows of the coastlines. Few creatures are willing to brave the daunting challenge it is to cross them. One of them is the sea turtle, who travels thousands of miles to lay around a hundred eggs on the beach, a strategy that has played out over the last two-hundred million years! The waterfront is its own bevy of activity that sees a variety of fishing birds, from the Jacana to the Goliath heron, who scan the waters for ample pickings of insects and invertebrates and catch them with a deep dive or a sharp spear. Under the surface, crustaceans are a class of animal that seem straight out of the imagination, with bizarre shapes, vibrant colors, and skeletons on the outside. For instance, crabs come in fifty thousand different species alone, ranging in size from under an inch to over ten feet. Then, there are brachiopods who take in oxygen through their feet, barnacles that stay attached to the same

place their entire lives, and shrimp who feed off parasites from would-be predators' mouths through symbiotic relationships. Able to thrive from the deepest ocean trenches to the sun-soaked shores, these creatures are more than just an intriguing sight – they are consummate survivors.

**[Educational Message: The animal kingdom doesn't discriminate when it comes to creatures who love the water. With so much of our planet covered by water, from mountain streams to open oceans, our aquatic habitats are bursting with an incredibly diverse array of life made even more astonishing by the different ways they've learned to survive beneath the surface.]**

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### **HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

#### **OLD SCHOOL [HGL210]**

As they journey to Hot Rod's hometown of Santo Domingo, Thunder and Moose enthusiastically join him for their inaugural Globetrotters game in the Dominican Republic, sparking joy within the local community. Embracing the opportunity to make a difference, the team enthusiastically volunteers with the Comfort Cases organization, actively assisting in packing essential items for children in foster care as they transition to new homes. Meanwhile, Coach Lou, Torch, and Jet head to Topeka, Kansas, filled with excitement to meet a group of spirited grannies who have organized their own basketball league, eagerly participating in a unique tournament alongside them.

**[Educational Message: Embrace each opportunity with enthusiasm and let your passion light the way to greatness.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **FEELIN' HOT HOT HOT [WLC404]**

Embark on a desert adventure with Shanielle Jones, where a lively narrative unfolds beneath the sun-soaked landscapes. Deserts cover more than a fifth of our planet's surface, and while they have their differences, all are tied together by one unmistakable trait: they are dry! So dry, in fact, some see less than half an inch of rainfall in an entire year. These vast expanses of golden terrain are home to a wide variety of animals such as owls, ostriches, roadrunners, meerkats, coyotes, and rhinos. In regions where water is in short supply, keeping clean requires some alternative methods, such as the lioness treating her cub to a tongue bath in Africa's Kalahari Desert or the meerkats that make grooming a team sport. Communal grooming reinforces positive relationships. As one of the apex predators of the desert, coyotes defy mammalian norms and embrace monogamy and forge lifelong bonds in the arid wilderness. Meanwhile, while intelligence among wild animals comes in many forms, it's clear that in every environment, there are some truly clever creatures. Prairie dogs, for instance, are known for their building of intricate underground architecture and highly developed communication skills within their groups while resilient Meerkats showcase their ability to thrive without direct water consumption by relying on the moisture within the desert's abundant food offerings. No matter the environment, Africa is one of the most stunning places on Earth, with animals equally as captivating. Once on the verge of extinction, the majestic white rhinos, who command attention with their graceful use of horns as tools for foraging, have populations that are steadily increasing thanks to conservation efforts.

**[Educational Message: Navigating the scorching sands, minimal resources, and extreme temperatures of the unforgiving terrain of the desert is all in a day's work for the remarkable animals that make their home in these undeniably hostile habitats, where each species is perfectly adapted to be as extreme as the land they live on. From camels to coyotes, these desert dwellers are a reminder of what it takes to survive in the wild.]**

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### **WILD CHILD**

#### **SOCIAL LIGHTS [WLC225]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us on an adventure to find some of the most social creatures in the wild. First up, we'll find out that lakes and rivers provide food and shelter for many waterbirds. As we'll witness with a family of swans, watching their parents is the best way for babies to learn which food is good to eat and where to find it. Weighing almost thirty pounds on average, we'll learn that swans are the heaviest flying birds when fully mature. After a class on foraging for food in the water, we'll see how this swan mother teaches her young more life lessons such as how to groom their feathers. We'll discover that the oldest known swan lived to be twenty-six years old. Next, we'll join some barnyard babies as they begin their day with a hearty breakfast. Donkeys are most active during the cooler parts of the day. Grazing mostly on grasses, we'll learn that donkeys can eat an average of six thousand pounds of food per year. We'll also check in with a mother horse on the farm, where milk is on the menu for her foal this morning. We'll learn that baby horses will live off the mother's milk until they're four to six months old.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we took a journey to discover the animal kingdom's most social species. For these adorable adolescents, learning the ways of the wild is best done together and helps the whole animal community thrive.]**

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### **EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

#### **MASSIVE MONSTERS [EDD425]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us around the globe to find the giants of the animal kingdom. First up, we'll travel to Northern India to learn more about a unique species of crocodile known as the gharial. Measuring up to twenty feet long, gharials are one of the largest known crocodylian species on the planet. Surprisingly, we'll discover that this species of crocodile poses no threat to humans. We'll witness how their long, slender jaws are too delicate to tackle large mammals. Instead, these reptilians are specially adapted to catching fish. We'll learn that crocodile faces are more sensitive than a human fingertip. Next, we'll travel to the Arctic to find the largest land carnivore on the planet, the polar bear. We'll discover that each year, the Arctic has one full day of darkness and one full day of sunlight due to the Earth's tilt. In this environment, being a big beast with a big appetite requires some serious adaptations. Despite weighing in at over 1,000 pounds, polar bears are known to be excellent swimmers. We'll learn that a thick layer of fat helps to keep them warm in the freezing waters. Here we'll witness how polar bears use their incredible stealth and camouflage to stalk seals on the sea ice.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we sized up some of the giants of the animal kingdom. Being the biggest doesn't always mean being the best. But for these incredible animals, their size has helped them thrive in the danger and unpredictability of our planet's wildest places.]**

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### **MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM PROTECTING THE WILD**

#### **INTO THE WOLF DEN [WLK112]**

Wolves are one of North America's most iconic animals, with the gray wolf being the most common, and the smaller and more endangered red wolf almost extinct. There were once up to half a million wolves in the United States, but because of their fierce reputation, the government started an intense program of wolf

eradication which nearly wiped them out, leaving them in dire need of protection. In Missouri, our hosts visit an endangered wolf facility that was created to help grow the numbers of these endangered species and eventually release them back out into the wild. They are preparing their latest litter of pups that could soon be joining a small but growing wild population, and after a full body condition check, the pups get some vaccinations and a microchip inserted for tracking – this step is critical to make sure these prize pups stay strong and healthy and have a chance to run free. Wolves are in many ways just like people; they're very social animals that live together in extended family packs. In fact, they're one of the very few mammals where the adults will take care of the youngsters even if they're not its biological parents. Another organization in Minnesota, run by a mother-daughter duo: Peggy and Megan, is devoted to studying wolves and demonstrating that their terrible reputation is completely undeserved, focusing their mission on research, education, and conservation work of these wolves. The center began in 1990 when wildlife biologist Peggy decided to rescue wolves that would have otherwise been euthanized. Peggy figured that the more people understood about wolves, the more sympathetic they would be. Turning fragile wolf pups into successful wolf adults takes contributions from the entire pack, including a big assist from Peggy and Megan. From the original forty gray wolves that were rescued, the population has grown to more than eighty.

**[Educational Message: When it comes to endangered species, they need all the boost they can get. By observing the behavior and unique social interaction of wolves, more people can grow to appreciate these animals for what they truly are – vital to the health of our ecosystem.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**LIVING GREEN [EDD613]**

We're going green to see the animals who love life in the magical landscapes of forests, grasses, and jungles, all of which bring with them an abundance of resources, color, and biodiversity. Animals have learned to thrive at every level whether in the canopy or on the forest floor. These wooded playgrounds create a beautiful tapestry of unique habitats where life can flourish. On Vancouver Island, dense and impenetrable forests cover a rugged terrain and receive up to two hundred days of rain a year. This wet, temperate climate is home for creatures such as Canada's largest land mollusk, the banana slug, whose ten-inch-long physique can glide across the forest floor sampling fungi and decaying matter. Over in the vast expanse of the African savanna, the wet season brings about a flurry of friends among the vegetation, and for baboons, it's the perfect primate paradise. These arboreal havens can provide protection from predators and the elements while also being a rich source of food and nutrients, as well as a place to commune and help reinforce social structures within the troops. Although mostly solitary, this is also true for bears and bald eagles in British Columbia, who can be seen emerging from the sheltered forests to feast on the salmon that swim through the rivers nearby.

**[Educational Message: Trees may not have four walls and a roof, but they can certainly act as a welcome home and refuge for many animals in the wild. These lush and unique landscapes provide a wealth of habitats that support all manner of life. Hundreds of feet up a sequoia or under the fallen foliage, these treescapes breathe life into the animal kingdom and provide a collection of wild wonders to behold.]**

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**HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD**

**THE RACE FOR INCLUSION [HGL211]**

Embarking on a transformative journey of inclusivity and empowerment, Hotshot, Cheese, and Wham discover an organization dedicated to constructing playgrounds for children of all abilities, inspired by the

founder's cherished memories of their eldest son. Unveiling a myriad of benefits, including wheelchair-accessible ramps, these spaces foster an environment where children of diverse abilities can gather and play harmoniously. Later, Thunder, Hotshot, TNT, and Torch visit a racing school with a diversity initiative that trains diverse pit crew candidates looking for a future career in the world of motorsports. Here, the players meet trailblazer Brehanna Daniels, the first African American woman in a NASCAR Cup Series pit crew. The team gets hands-on experience with Brehanna's job as a pit crew tire changer and later participate in a friendly competition. Max Siegel, the owner of the racing school, further inspires by highlighting the school's commitment to providing access and opportunities for underrepresented women and people of color in motorsports.

**[Educational Message: The development of diversity focused initiatives and foundations provides greater access to underserved and diverse communities, such as the development of playgrounds designed to accommodate disabled children or training programs that provide a path to career in traditionally underrepresented career fields.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**GRASS IS ALWAYS GREENER [WLC405]**

Grass provides a rich source of nutrients that can foster enormous size, like the African elephant or the million-member kangaroo mobs in Australia. Grass can provide water, shelter, and even create social interaction between species. So, it's no surprise that grasslands are a pretty popular place to call home for many of the world's animals. From the sprinting cheetah cubs to the wrestling matches of the young male woodchucks, whether off on a morning flight or enjoying a more grounded wake up call, the animals of the grasslands are quick to jump into action. In the grasslands, few animals know how to stretch their legs like wild horses. Wild horse "bands" are made up of a dominant male stallion, mares, and their young, with the stallions capable weighing up to one thousand pounds and standing over five feet tall. While the great expanses of the grasslands are breathtaking to look at, their wide-open space means there are very few places to hide, which causes trouble for both predator and prey. To combat this lack of cover, many animals in this terrain use camouflage to survive, such as the coloring of the wild turkey or the almost perfect stillness of the young gazelle or the unique patterns of the spotted hyenas. While the open space of these areas lack cover, they do have plenty of real estate. Prairie dogs build complex subterranean burrows under this land and use some tunnel entrances as security outposts. Meanwhile, even a simple stalk of grass can be an ideal perch for finches. American robins are also a familiar sight in these lush fields and meadows. They are recognized for producing iconic blue eggs, gained from a pigment in their mother's blood, and being the largest bird in the thrush group, with a wingspan almost a foot and a half long.

**[Educational Message: For our planet's terrestrial animals, there are few more important resources than grass, and the lush, open environments of Earth's grasslands have the room and resources to create vibrant, diverse animal communities – providing for species of all kinds, from the largest animals on land to the fastest, tallest, and strongest.]**

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**WILD CHILD**

**TIKE-ONIC ANIMALS [WLC226]**

Today on Wild Child, host Sheinelle Jones takes us around the globe to find some of Earth's most iconic animals and their furry friends. First up, we'll discover more about the National Animal of India, the Bengal tiger. We'll learn that the Bengal tiger population makes up about half of all tiger populations in the world. We'll discover that unlike most house cats, tigers love the water and are very strong swimmers. When in



pursuit of a meal, Bengal tigers have the ability to paddle across wide rivers. Finally, we'll check in on a newborn gorilla spending time with its mother. We'll learn that gorilla infants are very similar to human babies, although they develop at a faster rate. At full maturity, gorillas can weigh up to four hundred pounds and are considered the most powerful primate. We'll also discover that gorillas spend considerably less time climbing trees than other great apes such as orangutans or chimpanzees.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we traversed the globe to learn about the incredible icons of the animal kingdom. From Bengal tigers to African elephants, we discovered what makes these iconic creatures so beloved.]**

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**EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER**

**WONDERS FROM AFRICA [EDD426]**

Today on Earth Odyssey, host Dylan Dreyer takes us on a safari to discover more about the overlooked and underappreciated animals of Africa. First up, we'll discover more about the camouflage expert of the rainforest, the chameleon. Madagascar is home to around half of the world's 150 species of chameleon. We'll discover that chameleons change their colors through the use of a layer of photonic crystals on their skin. Here we'll witness chameleons using their long tongues to capture insects and other food. Research suggests that smaller chameleons actually have faster tongue projection speeds than larger ones. Next, we'll travel to Egypt to learn about the feathered creatures of Lake Nasser, such as the pied kingfisher. Pied kingfishers are the largest bird in the world capable of sustaining hovering without a headwind. This technique allows it to pinpoint fish in deeper water away from the shore. We'll discover that kingfishers can judge both the size and depth of fish swimming below. We'll also learn that unlike other kingfisher species, pied kingfishers will swallow their prey in flight.

**[Educational Message: In this episode, we discovered more about Africa's impressive and iconic wildlife. From colorful chameleons to impeccable pied kingfishers, the entire animal kingdom is on beautiful display on this diverse continent, working together to continue the circle of life.]**

**For 1st Quarter 2024**

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02/24/2024	09:30:00 a	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #2 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - VETERANS_SULLIVAN :15	ZNBC23108H	09:54:15 a
02/24/2024	10:00:00 a	TMYK MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM: PROTECTING THE WILD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - READING_LLAMAS :15	ZNBC23105H	10:24:25 a
02/24/2024	10:30:00 a	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #1 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - MISINFORMATION2_HOLT :15	ZNBC23104H	10:54:25 a
02/24/2024	11:00:00 a	TMYK HARLEM GLOBTROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - READING_RUHLE :15	ZNBC23102H	11:24:25 a
02/24/2024	11:30:00 a	TMYK WILD CHILD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - FOOD_QUANTANILLA :15	ZNBC23107H	11:54:25 a
02/24/2024	12:00:00 p	TMYK WILD CHILD 2 (30 MIN)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - READING_BUSHHAGER :15	ZNBC23106H	12:24:25 p

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03/02/2024	08:30:00 a	NBC NEWS - NIGHTLY NEWS FOR KIDS	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - MISINFORMATION2_HOLT :15	ZNBC23104H	08:40:53 a
03/02/2024	10:00:00 a	TMYK MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM: PROTECTING THE WILD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - READING_LLAMAS :15	ZNBC23105H	10:24:25 a
03/02/2024	10:30:00 a	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #1 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - FOOD_RUHLE :15	ZNBC23101H	10:54:25 a
03/02/2024	11:00:00 a	TMYK HARLEM GLOBTROTTERS: PLAY IT FORWARD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - VETERANS_SULLIVAN :15	ZNBC23108H	11:24:25 a
03/02/2024	11:30:00 a	TMYK WILD CHILD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - MISINFORMATION2_HOLT :15	ZNBC23104H	11:54:25 a
03/02/2024	12:00:00 p	TMYK WILD CHILD 2 (30 MIN)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - FOOD_QUANTANILLA :15	ZNBC23107H	12:24:25 p
03/02/2024	12:30:00 p	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #2 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - READING_BUSHHAGER :15	ZNBC23106H	12:56:30 p
03/09/2024	09:30:00 a	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #2 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - MISINFORMATION2_HOLT :15	ZNBC23104H	09:54:15 a
03/09/2024	10:00:00 a	TMYK MUTUAL OF OMAHA'S WILD KINGDOM: PROTECTING THE WILD 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - MISINFORMATION1_HOLT :15	ZNBC23103H	10:24:25 a

03/09/2024	10:30:00 a	TMYK EARTH ODYSSEY WITH DYLAN DREYER #1 30 MIN (4 SEG)	PSA 2023 THE MORE YOU KNOW - FOOD_QUANTANILLA :15	ZNBC23107H	10:54:25 a
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#### NBCUniversal's *The More You Know* website:

Since 1989, *The More You Know* has brought the nation's most important social issues to the forefront and remains a trusted voice for sharing knowledge to improve lives and inspire action.

*The More You Know's* comprehensive website (themoreyouknow.com) includes in-depth resource and referral information on the campaign's important focus issues including:

- HEALTH – fighting childhood obesity, encouraging nutrition and physical fitness
- ENVIRONMENT – encouraging everyday actions that reduce environmental impact
- EDUCATION – recruiting new teachers and promoting their long-lasting impact

- DIGITAL LITERACY & INTERNET SAFETY - sharing online safety tips and information
- DIVERSITY – embracing differences and promoting inclusion, tolerance, and respect
- COMMUNITY – contributing to the common good and create a positive impact on those around you
- CIVIC ENGAGEMENT - volunteering, voting, or advocating are key to stronger communities, safer neighborhoods, and happier citizens

Also featured on site is The More You Know Learning Series' *Growing Up Online*, a free eBook on digital literacy and Internet Safety. *Growing Up Online* is a valuable tool to initiate conversation with children about online safety. The eBook is a media-rich, two-part learning resource that provides easy-to-use information about navigating the digital world in a unique and engaging way. Part one includes safety tips, discussion questions and key takeaways for parents and teachers. Part two features four entertaining video comic books for children, focused on real situations that come up when kids go online.

Additional content on the site includes public service announcements, behind-the-scenes videos, a general overview, a talent directory, and a list of the campaign's accolades such as the prestigious Emmy and Peabody awards.