

Background knowledge is information children are taught, or learn through experience, about the world around them. The more your children know, the easier it will be for them to decode and understand words when they are learning to read. They'll also have an easier time learning new concepts in school.

Listed below are four animals to find outside. After you find the animals together, ask your child to list what they know about them. Build background knowledge by asking more questions. Where do they live? Can they climb trees or walls? Do they have fur or feathers?

Rabbit



Duck



Crow



Squirrel

