

# LEVEL TWO - PRE-VISIT

## Food and Feeding

**FUN FACTS**

*Gibbons can share the forest with other species of primate if they are not competing for the same foods.*

**Information:**

Mueller's gibbons, orang-utans and pig-tailed macaques share the same habitat. The gibbons swing from arm to arm and pick the fruits underneath the higher branches while the orang-utans walk/climb on all four limbs on the lower, sturdier branches. The pig-tailed macaques occupy and eat the foods found on the lower levels and the forest floor.

**Activity 1:**

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- a) Identify the different primate species in the drawing.
- b) Put 1, 2, and 3 in the boxes on the tree to show where they would usually be found.
- c) Which monkey or ape do you think would be able to reach the fruit in this tree and why?

**FUN FACTS**

*Orang-utans eat fruit, leaves, bark, buds and the occasional insect, small mammal or bird.*

**Information:**

Orang-utans are very intelligent. Intelligence is often related to the way in which animals find their food. Orang-utans have great memories and can remember where and at what time of year the best foods are available.

**Activity 2:**

- a) Here is a memory test for you! Read the list of foods that the orang-utans are fed at Monkey World, then cover it up with your hand and see how many you can remember by writing them down in the big box. No cheating!

- Lettuce
- Mooli
- Yoghurt
- Swede
- Celeriac
- Chicken
- Parsnips
- Broccoli
- Eggs
- Carrots
- Milk
- Sunflower Seeds
- Cod Liver Oil
- Watermelon
- Evening Primrose Oil
- Grapes

- b) Circle the foods that you could also eat.
- c) Why would this be a healthy diet?