

Week Five: Communication & Senses

Glossary

Key words and phrases from Week Five

Alarm call - a sound signal used to warn others of impending

Auditory - relating to the sense of hearing

Badge - a structural adaptation used as a type of visual communication

Communication - the method of transmitting messages from one animal to another

Contact call - a sound signal used to maintain a connection with a nearby companion

Culture - the intellectual achievements of humans; the ideas, customs and traditions of a community

Display - a behavioural adaptation used as a type of visual communication

Grooming - most important social behaviour in primates used to strengthen bonds; also used for hygiene purposes

Olfactory - relating to the sense of smell

Scent signal - a message transmitted via a smell

Sense organs - the organ or body party necessary to receive sensory stimuli; i.e. eyes, ears, mouth, nose and skin

Senses - the ability to perceive external stimuli, i.e. sounds, sights, smells, tastes and touches

Sexual dimorphism - structural differences between the males and females of a species

Sound signal - a message transmitted via a noise/sound

Tactile - relating to the sense of touch

Visual - relating to the sense of sight

Visual signal - a message transmitted via sight

See the next page for further reading suggestions and links to videos showing primate communication in action!



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Video Examples of Primate Communication

[Siamang gibbons Sam & Sasak sing their morning duet](#)

[Pant-hooting, displaying and other communication at Hananya's](#)

[Elvira the capuchin flirting!](#)

[Lar gibbon Ella singing](#)

[Happy sounds from the woollies as they tuck into eggs](#)

[Playful facial expressions from some of the Bachelor chimpanzees](#)

[Chimpanzee Hananya uses dominance display](#)

[Woolly monkeys show submission and friendship with snuffle greetings](#)

[Ring-tailed lemurs stink fighting!](#)

[Capuchin monkey Gizmo onion-rubbing](#)

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