

SCIENCE

Compare hares, rabbits and humans

What do you think the hare's legs are good for? What does a hare eat? How many food chains can you draw that include the hare? Compare hares' sense organs to those of humans. Compare their digestive systems - what is the major difference? What do you think the caecum is for? Compare hare, human and rabbit skeletons. What does this tell us about the hare? Explore how the hare's skeleton-muscular system adapts to enable the hare to reach speeds of 45mph.

Classification

Identify the differences between tortoises and turtles.

Create a classification key for rodents and lagomorphs - what is the difference between them? How have hares, rabbits and rodents been classified in the past? How and why has this been changed?

Exploring sound

Look at pictures of hares' and other animals' ears and identify similarities and differences between them. What difference do the hare's large ears make? Why is hearing important for them?

Using levers

Look at the pictures of rabbits and hares and identify similarities and differences between them. Direct them to notice the difference in size between the length of the hind leg. Demonstrate the use of a lever using either video clip

www.youtube.com/watch?v=OkQcs5ZBcLQ or

www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIYEiOPgG1g or demonstrate by using a number stick, metre ruler or similar.

