

Freshwater Aquarium

<p>Frog Call Display</p> 	<p>Keynotes:</p> <p><u>Aim:</u> People could easily notice birds/butterflies, but actually there are many other different kinds of organisms living around us. e.g. Frogs! Just pay attention - their presence could be told. e.g. listen to their calls.</p> <p><u>Display:</u> 8 frog calls + a challenge + imitate call record.</p> <p><u>Sequence:</u> Show Paddy frog first (most common one), then Asiatic Painted Frog (its deep loud voice will attract students), then keep play the other calls before the challenge is played. Ask students how many species in tape.</p> <p><u>Answer:</u> 3 species.</p>
<p>Hong Kong Newt 香港蝾螈</p> 	<p>Keynotes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Only one salamander in HK (a kind of amphibians with a 'tail'). ➤ Protected species in HK (under Wild Animals Protection Ordinance). ➤ Native to HK, but it could be found in Guangdong Province. ➤ Dorsal side dark brown; ventral side black with irregular orange blotches. ➤ Its pattern is unique for individuals, resembling the fingerprint of human. ➤ Hold a male for demonstration – ask students to make a guess of sexuality ➤ The clue: a white strip appears on tail (male) – obvious in breeding season.
<p>Hong Kong Paradise Fish</p> 	<p>Keynotes:</p> <p>This is an endemic fish in HK, but unfortunately it is <u>not</u> a protected animal. Honestly, it is pretty easy to find out HK newts in HK, but this fish is found in several isolated & small sites, its distribution & abundance are highly limited. We do hope that HK government could take an action before this species is vanished.</p>
<p>A snake</p>  <p>His name is cornflake.</p>	<p>Keynotes:</p> <p><u>Aim:</u> When people (particular Chinese) come across snakes, there are two ways: kill it or eat it. Pls. give some ideas to students how to treat snakes friendly. ..</p> <p>Did you know how many Hong Kong snakes are non-venomous? →35 species are unpoisonous, over 80% in total.</p> <p>Did you know who will be frightened if you come across a snake? →Both of you & snake.</p> <p>Did you know how to treat a snake? →Avoid snake, walk away quietly or call police.</p>
	<p>Apart from above, there are other kinds of organisms living in Freshwater Aquarium – shrimps, crabs (only exuvia), tadpole (IUCN endangered sp.)</p>

To PGs:

I hope this note could help to understand what's in Freshwater Aquarium before you could give a demonstration. Actually it is a chance to send a message about environmental conservation.

If you are interested, please come in to have a look first.

Cheers ... Lily