Cheetah Outreach Animal Enrichment Plan

We can improve the welfare of our animals by using environmental and behavioural enrichment to enhance their physical, social, cognitive and psychological well being. Enrichment is just as critical to our animals’ welfare as nutrition and veterinary care.

One of the most important roles of enrichment is increasing behavioural choices and encouraging species-typical behaviour. We have looked at the physiology and natural and individual history of each animal at Cheetah Outreach to come up with a goal-oriented enrichment plan and appropriate ideas to elicit natural behaviours.

The plan includes enrichment goals, current enrichment activities and enrichment ideas to try for each animal. It also includes a monthly schedule to ensure enrichment is provided consistently, and forms for documenting activities and each animal’s responses to them. Enrichment activities are documented in monthly summary reports that are used to evaluate the effectiveness of the plan and make changes where necessary.

**Environmental Enrichment**
One of the goals of our enrichment programme is to provide a more stimulating environment for each animal and increase the use of enclosure space. Enriched environments provide choices to animals, privacy and a sense of security as well opportunities for climbing, leaping and jumping, rubbing. Elevated sites are especially important for cheetahs. The changing of enclosure furniture will also promote curiosity.

**Food Enrichment**
Foraging behaviours are important to the well-being of carnivores. Different ways of presenting food can stimulate the cats and encourage natural hunting behaviours, including stalking, crouching, pouncing, chasing, leaping, jumping, climbing, grabbing and pulling. In the case of the jackals and meerkat, it can encourage more natural foraging.

**Sensory Enrichment**
Olfactory enrichment can encourage investigation of smells, and resulting scent-marking, rubbing and grooming. Visual enrichment can provide visual access to other animals and activities through elevated sites.
**Novel Enrichment**
Increasing the diversity of natural behaviours can be accomplished through enrichment devices or novel objects that can be manipulated by the animal. These objects promote exploration as well as natural play and hunting behaviours.

**Social Enrichment**
Social groupings can encourage a whole repertoire of behaviour that comes from living in a group, including social, territorial and courtship behaviours (this is especially important for male cheetahs). Social interaction with caretakers reduces stresses in captivity by building a positive relationship with humans. Human interaction is particularly important for a social species like meerkats.

**Exercise**
Exercise through runs, walks and play encourages activity and maintains a healthy physical condition, as well as providing mental stimulation.

**Behavioural Conditioning**
Behavioural conditioning increases the intellectual focus of an animal. Animals choose to participate in these sessions to maintain established or learn new behaviours. Behavioural conditioning can also strengthen the trust between handler and animal.
Cheetahs

Sha

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and interaction with humans and other animals
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing) through novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Platform
3) Scattered logs
4) Trees

Food
1) Feeding meat with fur on it
2) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside

Sensory
1) Switching enclosures with other cheetahs
2) Visual contact with other female cheetahs, some male cheetahs and horses in adjacent stable
3) Visual contact with serval, caracal, puma and meerkat during their walks
4) Frozen donkey or horse skin (give within 30 minutes of feeding and use meal to retrieve it)

Novel
1) Playing with mop
2) Playing with long rope toy

Social
1) Interaction with male cheetahs, other female cheetahs and small predators through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Feeding in crate (for vet visits or in case of emergencies)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:

Sensory
1) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

Novel
2) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Charlie

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and interaction with humans and other animals
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running) through food and novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Platform
3) Scattered logs
4) Trees

Food
1) Feeding meat with fur on it
2) Big bones
3) Throwing turkey drumstick at feeding
4) Bloodsicles with meat inside

Sensory
1) Switching enclosures with other cheetahs
2) Visual contact with other female cheetahs, some male cheetahs and horses in adjacent stable
3) Visual contact with serval, caracal, puma and meerkat during their walks
4) Frozen donkey or horse skin (give within 30 minutes of feeding and use meal to retrieve it)

Novel
1) Chasing mop (outside enclosure only)
2) Cardboard boxes
3) Cardboard prey animal

Exercise
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)

Social
1) Interaction with other female cheetahs and small predators through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Feeding in crate (for visits to vet or in case of emergencies)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:
Sensory
   1) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects
Novel
   2) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Zaza

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through exercise and interaction with humans and other animals
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise
3) Encourage investigation of scents through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Platform
3) Scattered logs
4) Trees

Food
1) Feeding meat with fur on it
2) Big bones
3) Throwing turkey drumstick at feeding
4) Bloodsicles with meat inside

Sensory
1) Spending time in running enclosure
2) Switching enclosures with other cheetahs
3) Visual contact with other female cheetahs, some male cheetahs and horses in adjacent stable
4) Visual contact with serval, caracal, puma and meerkat during their walks
5) Frozen donkey or horse skin (give within 30 minutes of feeding and use meal to retrieve it)

Novel

Exercise
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)
2) Chasing plastic bottle on whip

Social
1) Interaction with male cheetahs, other female cheetahs and small predators through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Walking on lead
2) Feeding in crate (for visits to vet and in case of emergencies)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:
Sensory
   1) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects
Novel
   2) Cardboard prey animal
   3) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Joseph

**Enrichment Goals:**

1) Encourage activity through interaction with humans and other animals  
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running, chewing) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise  
3) Encourage investigation of scents and consequential rubbing and scent-marking through olfactory enrichment  
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

**Current Enrichment:**

**Environmental**  
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy  
2) Platform  
3) Scattered logs

**Food**  
1) Feeding meat with fur on it  
2) Bloodsicle with meat inside (pork or horse)

**Sensory**  
1) Spending time in running enclosure and show enclosures  
2) Switching enclosures with other male cheetahs  
3) Moving to back enclosure next to females  
4) Visual contact with male cheetahs and dogs  
5) Visual contact with female cheetahs  
6) Walking other animals next to enclosure  
7) Travel to venues outside facility

**Novel**

**Social**  
1) Interaction with other male cheetahs through fence  
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers  
3) Interaction with the public through encounters and functions

**Exercise**

**Behavioural Conditioning**  
1) Walking on lead  
2) Feeding in crate (for visits to vet and in case of emergencies)

**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

**Sensory**
1) Straw from female cheetahs’ huts
2) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

Novel
3) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Enigma and Hemmingway

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running, chewing) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise
3) Encourage investigation of scents and consequential rubbing and scent-marking through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Scattered logs

Food
1) Feeding whole rabbits
2) Feeding meat with fur on it
3) Big bones
4) Throwing turkey drumsticks at feeding
5) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside

Sensory
1) Spending time in running enclosure and show enclosures
2) Switching enclosures with other male cheetahs
3) Spending time in enclosure next to female cheetahs
4) Visual contact with male cheetahs and dogs
5) Visual contact with female cheetahs in running enclosure
6) Walking other animals next to enclosure
7) Frozen donkey or horse skin (before feeding—use breakfast to retrieve)

Novel
1) Playing with soccer ball
2) Cardboard prey animal
3) Playing with mop

Social
4) Interaction with other male cheetahs and cubs through fence
5) Interaction with female cheetahs through fence (when in back enclosure)
6) Interaction with staff and volunteers
7) Interaction with the public through encounters and functions at facility

Exercise
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)

Behavioural Conditioning
2) Walking on lead
3) Feeding in crate (for visits to vet and in case of emergencies)

**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

**Sensory**
1) Elevated platform to allow visual access to other animals and activity
2) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

**Novel**
3) Cardboard boxes (variation: dry cat food inside)
4) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Max and Hector

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running, chewing) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise
3) Encourage investigation of scents and consequential rubbing and scent-marking through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Scattered logs
3) Trees

Food
1) Feeding whole rabbits
2) Feeding meat with fur on it
3) Big bones
4) Throwing turkey drumsticks at feeding
5) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside

Sensory
6) Spending time in running enclosure
7) Visual contact with female cheetahs and horses in adjacent stable
8) Visual contact with serval, caracal, puma and meerkat during their walks
9) Frozen donkey or horse skin (before feeding—use breakfast to retrieve)

Novel
1) Playing with cardboard boxes
2) Cardboard prey animal
3) Playing with mop

Social
1) Interaction with female cheetahs through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Exercise
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)
2) Chasing plastic bottle on whip

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Walking on lead
2) Feeding in crate (for vet visits or in case of emergencies)
**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

**Sensory**
1) Splash pool with objects
2) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

**Novel**
3) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Peter and Pedro

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running, chewing) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise
3) Encourage investigation of scents and consequential rubbing and scent-marking through olfactory enrichment
4) Increase visual stimulation through elevated sites

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Platform
3) Splash pool (during summer)

Food
1) Feeding whole rabbits
2) Feeding meat with fur on it
3) Big bones
4) Throwing turkey drumsticks at feeding
5) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside

Sensory
1) Spending time in running enclosure and show enclosures
2) Switching enclosures with other male cheetahs
3) Visual contact with other male cheetahs and dogs
4) Walking other animals next to enclosure
5) Frozen donkey or horse skin (before feeding—use breakfast to retrieve)

Novel
1) Playing with plastic bottles and balls in splash pool
2) Playing with cardboard boxes
3) Cardboard prey animal
4) Papier-mâché ball (variation: dry cat food inside)

Social
5) Interaction with male cheetahs through fence
6) Interaction with staff and volunteers
7) Interaction with the public through encounters and functions

Exercise
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)
2) Walks on harness and lead outside facility
3) Chasing plastic bottle on whip
Behavioural conditioning

1) Walking on a lead
2) Jumping on tables
3) Loading and travelling in bakkie
4) Feeding in crate (for visits to the vet, travel and in case of emergency)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:

Sensory

1) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

Novel

2) Mop
3) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
**Cubs**

**Enrichment Goals:**

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise  
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, running, chewing) through food and novel enrichment, and exercise  
3) Encourage socialization with humans through bonding with handlers and volunteers  
4) Prepare for ambassiodorial duties through behavioural conditioning

**Current Enrichment:**

**Environmental**  
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy  
2) Thatched shelter for shade and protection from rain and wind  
3) Splash pool (during summer)

**Food**  
1) Feeding meat with fur on it  
2) Parts of whole rabbit with fur  
3) Bloodsicles

**Sensory**  
1) Spending time in running enclosure  
2) Visual contact with other male cheetahs and dogs  
3) Walking other animals next to enclosure

**Novel**  
1) Playing with plastic bottles and balls in splash pool  
2) Playing with balls, Kong toys and rope toys  
3) Playing with balloons  
4) Playing with ostrich feathers  
5) Playing with flying disc made of cardboard  
6) Playing with cardboard boxes  
7) Cardboard prey animal  
8) Papier-mâché ball (variation: dry cat food inside)

**Social**  
1) Interaction with male cheetahs through fence  
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers  
3) Interaction with the public through encounters and functions

**Exercise**  
1) Runs (weekly during summer months)  
2) Walks on harness and lead outside facility  
3) Chasing plastic bottle on whip

**Behavioural conditioning**
1) Sitting when being fed  
2) Walking on a lead  
3) Jumping on tables  
4) Loading and travelling in bakkie  
5) Feeding in crate (for visits to the vet, travel and in case of emergency)

**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

**Food**
- 1) Hiding meat in cardboard box

**Sensory**
- 4) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

**Novel**
- 5) Small plastic ball with holes with dry cat food inside
- 6) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Smaller Predators

Baggins (Serval)

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, pouncing, leaping, grabbing) through food and novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents, rubbing, marking and grooming through olfactory enrichment

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Scattered logs, climbing limbs and branches
3) Patches of tall grass and vegetation
4) Platforms
5) Splash pool
6) Sandbox
7) Moving objects in and out of enclosure

Food
1) Feeding meat on platform or in tree (to encourage jumping and climbing)
2) Feeding meat inside long tube (to encourage reaching for food)
3) Feeding dead whole or partial birds with feathers and baby chicks
4) Feeding whole rabbits
5) Feeding meat with fur on it
6) Big bones
7) Frozen fish (thaw first)
8) Live fish in splash pool
9) Cardboard box with live crickets
10) Foraging for snakes, lizards, frogs and mice on walks

Sensory
1) Visual contact with cheetahs, caracal, puma, jackals, dogs and horses in adjacent stables
2) Switching enclosures with Malaika or Brandy for a few hours
3) Walking other animals next to enclosure
4) Snake skin
5) Sprigs of catnip or catnip plant in pot (don’t leave in overnight)
6) Moving dog house from caracal enclosure into enclosure for a while

Novel
1) Playing with soft or rope toys
2) Playing with gourd (gem squash), apples or balls
3) Playing with battery-operated ball with furry tail
4) Playing with cardboard boxes
5) Playing with rubber snake or guinea fowl wing suspended from top of enclosure
6) Playing with objects such as plastic bottles or balls in splash pool
7) Blowing bubbles into splash pool
8) Papier-mâché ball with dry cat food or piece of thawed fish inside
9) Placing branches over empty splash pool

Social
1) Interaction with caracal, puma and meerkat through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Exercise
1) Walks
2) Chasing whip with guinea fowl wing, colorful rags or plastic bottle

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Walking on lead
2) Feeding in crate (for vet visits or in case of emergencies)
3) Target training (training to touch object through fence and rewarding with treat)
4) Training to clip claws (training to jump up against fence on command and having paws handled)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:

Food
1) Feed meat in pipe hanging from top of enclosure

Sensory
2) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

Novel
3) Ball in groove of tyre
4) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
**Malaika (Caracal)**

**Enrichment Goals:**

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, pouncing, leaping, jumping and climbing) through food and novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents, rubbing, marking and grooming through olfactory enrichment

**Current Enrichment:**

**Environmental**
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Scattered logs and climbing limbs
3) Patch of tall grass
4) Platforms
5) Moveable small dog house
6) Empty splash pool with branches

**Food**
1) Feeding meat on branches and platform
2) Hiding meat in box
3) Toilet paper roll with meat inside, covered with paper like party favor
4) Feeding meat with fur on it
5) Hiding dry cat food in paper bundle (place handful of dry cat in a piece of paper sack and twist ends closed)
6) Feeding dead birds or baby chicks (variation: hang from top of enclosure)
7) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside

**Sensory**
1) Visual contact with cheetahs, serval, puma, jackals, dogs and horses in adjacent stables
2) Walks through goat enclosure
3) Walking other animals next to enclosure
4) Switching enclosures with Baggins or Brandy for a few hours
5) Putting Sebastian in her enclosure while she walks outside
6) Frozen donkey or horse skin (after feeding only)
7) Horse manure

**Novel**
1) Playing with soft, rope or Kong toys (variation: squirt liver paste inside Kong toy)
2) Playing with small ball
3) Playing with cardboard boxes
4) Hanging guinea fowl wing or soft toy from top of enclosure to encourage jumping or climbing post
5) Playing with toys or balls in empty splash pool covered with branches
6) Bird nest
Social
1) Interaction with serval, puma, jackals, meerkat and cheetahs through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers
3) Interaction with the public (tour groups and school groups)

Exercise
1) Walks
2) Chasing plastic bottle on whip (both inside and outside enclosure during walks)
3) Chasing guinea fowl wing on whip (both inside and outside enclosure during walks)
4) Chasing mop (both inside and outside enclosure during walks)

Behavioural Conditioning
1) Walking on lead
2) Feeding in crate (for vet visits and in case of emergencies)
3) Target training (training to touch object through fence and rewarding with treat)
4) Training to clip claws (training to jump up against fence on command and having paws handled)

Enrichment Ideas to Try:

Food
1) Hang large turkey bone from top of enclosure (during feeding only)

Sensory
2) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects
Ntombi and Moya (Black-backed Jackals)

Enrichment Goals:

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (chasing, pouncing foraging) through food and novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents, rubbing, and marking through olfactory enrichment

Current Enrichment:

Environmental
1) Hut with straw for shelter and privacy
2) Platform
3) Splash pool (during summer)

Food
1) Scattering meat around enclosure
2) Stuffing ground chicken or pieces of turkey in holes in logs
3) Feeding meat in toilet paper rolls
4) Placing piece of thawed fish in toilet paper rolls
5) Placing piece of thawed fish in roll covered with paper twisted at ends like a ‘party favour’
   (variation: use dry cat food)
6) Feeding whole rabbits
7) Feeding with fur on it
8) Dead baby chicks
9) Bloodsicles with pieces of meat inside
10) Hardboiled or raw eggs (only once a month)

Sensory
1) Visual contact with caracal, serval, puma, dogs and horses in adjacent stables
2) Walking other animal next to enclosure
3) Spending time in Malaika’s enclosure
4) Moving dog house from caracal enclosure into enclosure for a while
5) Frozen donkey or horse skin (give before feeding and use meal to distract jackals!)
6) Cow hooves or other rawhide objects (give within 30 minutes of feeding)
7) Horse manure

Novel
1) Playing with rope or Kong rubber toys (variation: squirt liver paste inside toy)
2) Playing with small balls
3) Small plastic ball with treat inside
4) Papier-mâché ball with dry cat food or piece of thawed fish inside
5) Playing with empty plastic pool
6) Bird nest
7) Frozen squirrel (outside enclosure only)

Social
1) Interaction with caracal, puma, meerkat and dogs through fence
2) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Exercise
1) Walks
2) Chasing guinea fowl wing on whip (outside fence)

**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

**Environmental**
1) Add logs and vegetation to enclosure
2) Platform in shade

**Sensory**
3) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects

**Novel**
4) Boomer ball with holes filled with meat
Sebastian and Minki (Meerkats)

**Enrichment Goals:**

1) Encourage activity through walks  
2) Encourage natural behaviours (foraging, digging) through food enrichment and walks  
3) Encourage investigation of scents, rubbing, and marking through olfactory enrichment and walks  
4) Encourage social behaviours through interaction with caretakers  

**Current Enrichment:**

**Environmental**  
1) Den  
2) Elevated walkways  
3) Vegetation  
4) Logs and dead tree trunk with holes  
5) Space for digging tunnels  
6) Sandbox  

**Food**  
1) Releasing live insects in enclosure  
2) Burying worms in sandbox  
3) Stuffing ground chicken in holes in logs  
4) Feeding meat in box  
5) Feeding meat in toilet paper roll  
6) Feeding meat with fur on it  
7) Hiding fruit or raw nuts in holes and crevices in logs  
8) Dead baby chicks and frogs  
9) Foraging during walks (turning over logs and rocks to expose insects and other prey)  

**Note:** when giving food for enrichment (live insects, frogs, raw nuts), eliminate or reduce amount of next meal.  

**Sensory**  
1) Visual contact with serval, caracal, puma, jackals, dogs and horses in adjacent stables  
2) Walking other animals next to enclosure  
3) Spending time in Baggins’, Malaika’s or Brandy’s enclosure for a while  
4) Fresh herbs (parsley, coriander, sage)  
5) Spraying vanilla cologne in enclosure  
6) Frozen donkey or horse skin (within 30 minutes of feeding)  

**Novel**  
1) Small papier-mâché ball (variation: dry cat food inside)  
2) Small plastic ball with pieces of meat inserted in slot  
3) Frozen squirrel (supervised)  

**Exercise**
1) Walks

Social
   1) Interaction with each other
   2) Interaction with serval, caracal, puma, jackals, dogs and cheetahs through fence during walks
   3) Interaction with staff and volunteers

Behavioural Conditioning
   1) Walking on lead

**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

Environmental
   1) Hanging spool

Food
   2) Insect dispenser or cricket feeder

Sensory
   3) Spread fish paste in liquid or paste form on objects
**Brandy (Puma)**

**Enrichment Goals:**

1) Encourage activity through play and exercise
2) Encourage natural play and hunting behaviours (stalking, chasing, pouncing, leaping, jumping and climbing) through food and novel enrichment
3) Encourage investigation of scents, rubbing, marking and grooming through olfactory enrichment

**Current Enrichment:**

**Environmental**
1) Scattered logs and climbing limbs
2) Patches of tall grass
3) Hanging branches from fence and platform
4) Platforms
5) Hanging tyre
6) Hanging plastic container

**Food**
1) Feeding meat high on branches or on platform
2) Feeding meat with fur on it
3) Dead baby chicks

**Sensory**
1) Visual contact with serval, caracal, jackals, dogs and horses in adjacent stables
2) Walking other animals next to enclosure
3) Switching enclosures with Baggins or Malaika for a few hours

**Novel**
1) Playing with soft, rope and Kong toys
2) Playing with cardboard boxes

**Social**
1) Interaction with serval, caracal, jackals, meerkat, cheetah and dogs through fence on walks
2) Interaction with handlers

**Exercise**
1) Walks
2) Chasing plastic bottle on whip
3) Chasing mop (running with mop outside enclosure along fence)

**Behavioural Conditioning**
1) Walking on lead
**Enrichment Ideas to Try:**

Food
1) Hide meat in box
2) Place piece of frozen fish in box or toilet paper roll (using item not in normal diet)

Sensory
3) Spread fish bait in liquid or paste form on objects