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I'M A WILDLIFE SCIENTIST

There are many types of wildlife near my house in Pittstown, New Jersey. Just going outside, I can see deer, snakes, frogs, all kinds of birds, coyotes, turkeys, bears, and bunnies. I love going outside and seeing all the different kinds of wildlife in their natural habitat. Seeing all the wildlife is what makes Pittstown, New Jersey, one of the best places to live.

Bunnies are everywhere in my backyard. They like to hide in the tall grass. One spring day, I was playing outside when I saw a bunny eating grass in my neighbor's field. It was small and had gray fuzzy fur. I ran inside to get my dad to show him but, by the time I got back, the bunny was gone! By living in Pittstown, I learned that bunnies are fast and like to jump a lot.

Other animals that are everywhere in my backyard are frogs and toads. By living here, I learned that toads are bumpy and frogs are smooth. The frogs in my backyard like to jump away while my dad is mowing the lawn. One day when I was playing outside, I spied two toads hiding in an old tree stump that had just been cut down. They looked like they were friends. I like to observe them when I find them outside. Sometimes I even name them!

Walking around my backyard you have to be super careful and watch out for snakes. Snakes like to lay on rocks and bask in the sun. One day a snake even made its home in my mom's front bush! She was scared. Another time, I found a long snake skin by my front steps. I thought it was cool, but my mom thought it was creepy!

In my backyard there are many different types of animals. I feel like a scientist just walking out my front door and observing them. I learn so much about wildlife every day, living in Pittstown, New Jersey. How many animals can you see in your backyard?