



## **What would happen if they were alone in the jungle! Life Challenges!**

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As being an elementary science teacher for ten years, I have observed that students learn best when they are active and enjoy when they like the topic. In addition, the pupils feel more relaxed if they work for an extended period of time. They can solve a real life problem or answer a complex question if they have enough time. Using project based learning (PBL) method I have seen that students can demonstrate their knowledge and skills in the best way and they can produce excellent public products or presentations for real audience. After all, students develop deep content knowledge as well as critical thinking, deeper understanding of the world around them, creativity, and communication skills in the context of doing a genuine project. In addition, as being teachers we should prepare our students to real life challenges as much as possible and the PBL method seems one of the best instrument for succeeding it.

Therefore, I have chosen “life challenges” topic for the poster session. Science fairs take place at the second semester every year in my country. In those fairs students study on real life problems or challenges and produce excellent jobs. I’m planning to demonstrate examples of these projects done by my students in my poster that is what problems or challenges they solve, how they work and finally develop a product or presentation and how I guide them.