English Year 5
Week 5 (31st January 2022)

Lesson Objectives:
- Answer simple comprehension about African Elephants

Step to Success:
- Read text
- Identify keywords in questions
- Write answer in **COMPLETE SENTENCES**

African Elephant

An adult African elephant's trunk is about seven feet long! It's actually an elongated nose and upper lip. Like most noses, trunks are for smelling.

When an elephant drinks, it sucks as much as 2 gallons (7.5 liters) of water into its trunk at a time. Then it curls its trunk under, sticks the tip of its trunk into its mouth, and blows. Out comes the water, right down the elephant's throat.

1) How is elephants' nose different for others?

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2) How much water can they suck at a time?

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3) How do they drink?

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Since African elephants live where the sun is usually blazing hot, they use their trunks to help them keep cool. First they squirt a trunkful of cool water over their bodies. Then they often follow that with a sprinkling of dust to create a protective layer of dirt on their skin. Elephants can also use its trunk to grasp an entire tree branch and pull it down to its mouth and to yank up clumps of grasses and shove the greenery into their mouths. If threatened, an elephant will also use its trunk to make loud trumpeting noises as a warning.

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4) Why do they squirt water over their body?

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5) What does the dust do to their skin?

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They sometimes hug by wrapping their trunks together in displays of greeting and affection. Elephants also use their trunks to help lift or nudge an elephant calf over an obstacle, to rescue a fellow elephant stuck in mud, or to gently raise a newborn elephant to its feet. And just as a human baby sucks its thumb, an elephant calf often sucks its trunk for comfort. One elephant can eat 136 kilograms of food in one day.

6) State THREE WAYS elephants use their trunk.

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7) Can you think of TWO reasons that make elephants' trunk special?

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