

# What's for Breakfast?

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What's it like to wake up in the morning and see Lynne, a 5-metre tall Rothschild giraffe, staring through your window? It sounds strange, but this is a normal morning at the Giraffe Manor, a hotel in Kenya, Africa.

Every morning before 9 o'clock, the giraffes walk over and put their heads through the open windows to see what's for breakfast. In the wild, giraffes eat leaves and twigs, but here at the hotel they prefer a slice of toast and some orange juice. These playful creatures are like members of the family. Each one has its own name and personality. Lynne is the leader and loves treats from the guests. Arlene likes hugs while Barney is like a typical teenager – even though he's only 3.

The hotel is also a conservation project. The Rothschild giraffe is a rare animal with only a few hundred left in the wild. On the 140-acre estate there are also exotic birds and antelopes.

The owners and the staff do their best to make their guests feel welcome. Giraffe Manor is a place that promises an amazing experience and lots of photographs with its gentle creatures.



3 Now read the text and for questions 1-4 choose the best answer (A, B, C or D). Find evidence in the text.

1 What animals live at Giraffe Manor?

- A Only giraffes.
- B Wild animals.
- C Only rare animals.
- D Birds, giraffes and antelope.

2 What do the giraffes like doing in the morning?

- A Eating from the trees.
- B Sharing guests' meals.
- C Opening the windows.
- D Playing with the families.

3 What does Lynne enjoy?

- A Hugs.
- B Treats.
- C Kisses.
- D Leaves.

4 What is special about the Rothschild giraffes?

- A They are very tall.
- B They are exotic.
- C There aren't many left.
- D They only eat sweets.

4 Use words from the **Check these words** section to complete the sentences.

- 1 Lynne, the giraffe, doesn't think it's rude to ..... at people through windows.
- 2 The ..... in the hotel are very friendly and always ready to help guests.
- 3 Chocolate is a welcome sweet ..... for everyone.
- 4 You can't see a Rothschild giraffe everywhere. It's a ..... animal.
- 5 On the ..... there are exotic birds and antelope.
- 6 The owners made all their ..... feel welcome.
- 7 Giraffes eat ..... and .....
- 8 The ..... is the head of the group that everyone else follows.
- 9 The staff always ..... to make sure the guests have a nice time.

5 Match the adjectives in bold in the text to their synonyms: *exceptional, typical, uncommon, kind, lively, fantastic*.

## Speaking & Writing

6 **THINK!** In three minutes write some reasons why someone should go to Giraffe Manor. Tell the class.

7 Imagine you are at Giraffe Manor. Send your English pen-friend an email. In your email write: *where you are, what the place is like, what is special about it and what you like the most*.