

1 ★ Read the article and choose the best title.

Everybody loves animals and many people take their children to the zoo to see elephants, giraffes, gorillas, ostriches and lizards. But Asha de Vos is different because her favourite animals are ocean animals. Asha is from the island of Sri Lanka in the Indian Ocean. Sri Lanka is near India, but it is a lot smaller.



Asha is a marine biologist and she studies fish, sharks, dolphins and whales. Look at the photo. What ocean animal can you see? It's a whale! For Asha, this whale is prettier than many land animals.

At the moment, Asha is studying blue whales. Blue whales are the biggest animals on Earth, and they are very interesting. Today, there aren't many blue whales in our oceans and we must help them. Asha often gives talks about blue whales and how people can help them. Today, Asha is giving a talk to young people in Sri Lanka. They are learning how they can help, too.



- a A love of life! b A love of ocean life! c A love of animals!

2 ★★ Look at the pictures. Choose the correct animal.

1



- a snail
b shark
c giraffe
d red lionfish

2



- a elephant
b gorilla
c buffalo
d hyena

3



- a lizard
b snake
c giraffe
d ostrich

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- a snail
b lizard
c hyena
d shark

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- a red lionfish
b giraffe
c buffalo
d ostrich

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- a hyena
b elephant
c gorilla
d snake

3 ★★ Read the article again. Complete the sentences with the words below.

animals blue whales help island Sri Lanka
studies talking young people

- 1 You can see lots of animals at the zoo.
- 2 Asha de Vos is from _____.
- 3 Sri Lanka is an _____ in the Indian Ocean.
- 4 Asha is a marine biologist and she _____ ocean animals.
- 5 Asha is studying _____ at the moment.
- 6 We must _____ blue whales because there aren't many in our oceans.
- 7 Today, Asha is _____ about helping blue whales.
- 8 _____ in Sri Lanka want to help blue whales, too.

4 Over to you! Answer the questions about you.

- 1 What are your favourite animals? Why?

- 2 Where do these animals live in the wild?

- 3 Which wild animals need help? Why?

- 4 How can you help these wild animals?
