

1 Match the animals with the descriptions.

bat ☐ bear ☐ crocodile ☐ dolphin ☐ eagle ☐
elephant ☐ fly ☐ hippo ☐ horse ☐ lion ☐
mosquito ☐ rhino ☐ spider ☐ tiger ☐

- 1 It's a small insect. It lives in every country. It doesn't usually bite or sting.
- 2 It sleeps in caves in the day. At night, it flies and hunts.
- 3 It's the biggest of the big cats. It's orange, white and black.
- 4 It's very intelligent. It lives in the sea, but it isn't a fish.
- 5 It's the heaviest animal on land.
- 6 It's the largest reptile. It lives in rivers and is a fierce hunter.
- 7 It's an insect. It lives in hot places. It bites and it carries diseases.
- 8 It lives in rivers in Africa. It's big and heavy. It isn't very friendly.
- 9 It's a large bird. It usually lives in the mountains.
- 10 It's brown or black. It's got four legs but it can walk on two legs. It usually lives in forests.
- 11 It's a big cat. It lives in Africa.
- 12 It lives in Africa and Asia. It's big and grey. It's got a horn on its nose.
- 13 People ride it.
- 14 It catches and eats flies.

A Bears

Children love bears. They play with toy bears and read stories about friendly bears. But in fact, bears are very dangerous. They're fierce hunters and they're fast. They can climb trees. You can find bears in North and South America, Europe and Asia. They kill about ten people a year. Imagine you meet a bear in the mountains. What can you do? The best advice is, don't run – bears are faster than humans. Lie on the ground and pretend to be dead.

B Lions

Lions are big cats. They're smaller than tigers, but they're bigger than jaguars and leopards. They live in Africa and in one place in Asia – the Gir Forest in India. They live in family groups and they hunt in pairs or groups. Only female lions hunt, the males don't take part. Lions don't usually hunt humans, but they can. For example, in 1898, two lions killed 135 people in Kenya. So it's a good idea to keep your distance.

C Crocodiles

Crocodiles are the largest reptiles in the world. They live in rivers in hot countries and you can find crocodiles in every continent except Europe and Antarctica. They're very fast in the water – they can swim at 40 km/h – and they can run fast on land too. In Asia and Africa, crocodiles kill more than 500 people a year. The crocodiles hide in the river and then attack suddenly when people are washing or swimming.

2 Read the text opposite. Which animal is the most dangerous?

3 Match the sentences with animals A–C in the text.

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| 1 They only live in two continents. | ☐ |
| 2 They're fiercer in the real world than in stories. | ☐ |
| 3 They live in Africa, America and other continents. | ☐ |
| 4 They live and hunt in a group. | ☐ |
| 5 They kill hundreds of people a year. | ☐ |
| 6 They live in Europe. | ☐ |