

For or During

FOR: with a period of time to express 'how long' something has happened:

- for three weeks
- for many years

DURING: with a noun to express 'when' something happens:

- during the lesson
- during the discussion

Can you complete this text using 'for or 'during'?

The African elephant, whose oldest ancestor, the mammoth, appeared pre-historic times, is one of the oldest surviving animal species on our planet. But now he is in great danger. Ivory has been traded hundreds of years, and this time, the elephant has constantly been exploited for his tusks.

..... recent years, however, since ivory is a highly profitable source of revenue, the elephant population has shrunk rapidly, despite the laws that have been made to protect the species. Illegal hunters have slaughtered vast numbers of elephants the last decade, and although elephants may normally live seventy years, they are now lucky to survive thirty.

Sad for the children who go to the zoo the day if they can no longer have a ride on the Earth's largest animal - sadder still for our world if we deliberately exterminate a creature that has been with us thousands of years.

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