

20 ANIMALS



ABOUT YOU

What are your favourite animals?
Are they wild animals, farm animals or pets?
Have you got any pets?



VOCABULARY

Wild animals

- 1 Match the animals to the photos A–J. Listen and check. Then repeat.



bear

crocodile

elephant

giraffe

kangaroo

leopard

monkey

snake

tiger

zebra



- 2** Work with your partner. Describe an animal. Ask your partner to guess what it is.

It's got a very long neck.

A giraffe.

- 3** Read about Alessandro's summer holiday and choose the best title.

- a Weekend work
- b Helping my aunt
- c My fantastic summer!

- 4** Read Alessandro's text again. Are the sentences right (✓) or wrong (X)? Correct the wrong sentences.

- 1 Alessandro's dad's friend wanted help at the beginning of the holidays.
- 2 Parts of the giraffes' bodies were blue.
- 3 There were several animal houses at the safari park.
- 4 The monkeys were hungry.
- 5 There weren't any snakes in the safari park.
- 6 Alessandro was busy with the animals all day.
- 7 The crocodiles were very popular with the visitors.
- 8 Alessandro was very happy working at the safari park.

Now you're back at school, write about your summer for the school website. Were you at the beach? Were you at home?



It was the beginning of the school holidays and I was bored! Then my mum's friend Jess phoned. She has a small safari park, and she needed some help for a day. At 7 am the next day, Jess walked with me around the safari park and showed me all the different animals. I liked the giraffes best with their amazing dark blue tongues. After that, I started work.

First, I carried food to the different animal houses. I waited outside and watched the workers feed the animals. The tigers and the bears were very hungry and finished all their food quickly. The monkeys played a noisy game with their food. They weren't hungry! Next, I cleaned some of the animal houses. I even cleaned the snake house!

After lunch, the safari park opened for visitors. I worked at the ticket office – I took money from the visitors and gave them information about the safari park. Most people wanted to know the crocodile feeding time because that's fun to watch. The safari park closed at 5 pm. I really enjoyed my day and Jess asked me to go back and help the next day. In the end, I helped in the safari park for two weeks and it was fantastic.

- 5 What do you think was Alessandro's favourite part of the day? Discuss with your partner. Which jobs would you like to do? Can you think of any other jobs at a safari park?

VOCABULARY

AND

READING

Wild animals

- 1 Complete the animal names.



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- 2 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

giraffe	kangaroo	leopard
snake	zebra	

- 1 A _____ is a long, thin animal. It hasn't got any legs.
 2 A _____ has got a long neck. It is a big animal and lives in Africa.
 3 A _____ looks like a horse. It has black and white lines on its body and lives in Africa.
 4 A _____ is a big cat. It is yellow with black spots. It lives in Africa and Asia.
 5 A _____ moves by jumping. It lives in Australia.

3 Read Kim's blog about her trip to Kenya. Answer the questions.

1 Who works at a museum?

2 Where does Kim's father work?

3 Where does Kim's mother work?

4 How many guides were there?

5 Where were Kim and her family on their holiday?

6 Which animals were near the tall trees?

Our trip Kenya

It was a hot summer. I was in Africa with my family. We were very excited about the trip because everyone in my family likes animals. My brother works at the Natural History Museum in London, Dad works at London Zoo, and Mum is a zoologist at a university – she studies animals in her job. I'm still at school, but I want to be a vet – you know, a doctor for animals.

This trip was great. We travelled into the countryside in a big truck. There were two guides to help us. I asked them lots of questions, 'Are there any lions? What types of snakes are there? How many giraffes live in this part of Kenya?' The guides answered all my questions.

After twenty minutes of travelling, one of the guides shouted, 'Look!' In front of us, there were elephants – ten of them! They walked slowly. They were beautiful. A few minutes later, the other guide shouted, 'Look!'. Near a group of tall trees, there were some giraffes. They were so tall!

Our first trip to Kenya was very special – everyone enjoyed it. There were so many amazing animals. We plan to go back next year!