

ELEPHANT FACTS

The elephant is the largest animal that lives on land. Some male elephants can grow to be thirteen feet tall (3.9 meters). That's more than twice as tall as many human adults. Elephants can weigh as much as a school bus—between ten and fourteen thousand pounds (4,500kg - 6,300kg) - sitting! Elephants walk, drink, eat, and wash themselves with their long trunks. They have tusks long teeth made of ivory—that help them get food and carry heavy objects.



Do the Elephant Quiz!

1. Elephants sleep
 - a) sitting down
 - b) standing up
 - c) lying down
2. Sometimes
 - a) white
 - b) brown
 - c) black
3. Elephants behave
 - a) like cats
 - b) like dogs
 - c) like humans
4. Elephants have
 - a) ears
 - b) wings
 - c) tails
5. They use
 - a) their trunks
 - b) their heads
 - c) their feet
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 - a) their trunks
 - b) their heads
 - c) their feet
7. Elephants weigh
 - a) 100 lbs
 - b) 2,000 lbs
 - c) 12,000 lbs
8. They communicate with
 - a) sounds
 - b) touch
 - c) sight
9. Only grown up
 - a) males
 - b) females
 - c) both
10. They fight with their
 - a) trunks
 - b) heads
 - c) feet
11. They sleep
 - a) sitting
 - b) standing
 - c) lying

FACT FILE

Scientific name:	Elephantidae
Size:	10 feet to 13 feet
Height:	4.5 - 6.5 meters
Lifespan:	60 to 70 years
Habitat:	Savanna forest to open plains
Diet:	Herbivorous
Gestation:	About 22 months
Prey:	Humans