

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 trunk
 - b) their tusks
 - c) their teeth
6. They use _____
 - a) to drink
 - b) to eat
 - c) to wash
7. Elephants weigh _____
 - a) 10,000 pounds
 - b) 12,000 pounds
 - c) 14,000 pounds
8. They communicate with _____
 - a) sounds
 - b) touch
 - c) sight
9. Only _____
 - a) grow up
 - b) have tusks
 - c) have tails
10. The _____
 - a) trunk
 - b) tail
 - c) leg
11. They fight with their _____
 - a) trunk
 - b) tusks
 - c) teeth
12. They sleep _____
 - a) sitting
 - b) standing
 - c) lying

FACT FILE

Scientific name:	Elephantidae
Size:	10 to 13 feet
Weight:	4,500 - 12,000 lbs
Lifespan:	60 to 70 years
Habitat:	Savanna and forest
Color:	Brown
Conservation:	Endangered
Prey:	None