

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 horses
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. They grow up
 - a) in the wild
 - b) in zoos
 - c) in farms
10. They
 - a) live
 - b) fly
 - c) swim
11. They fight with their
 - a) trunks
 - b) heads
 - c) feet
12. They use
 - a) their trunks
 - b) their heads
 - c) their feet

FACT FILE

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