

# The gentle gorilla

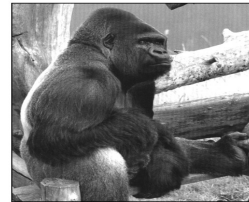
Some years ago, at Jersey Zoo, a father lifted his five-year old son on to a wall to see the gorillas. The boy fell 12 feet into the pit below and split his head open. The gorillas all moved towards the boy. But the largest gorilla, Jambo, sent the others away. He sat by the boy, stroked his back and protected him.

Two keepers tried to move the gorillas back into their shelter. All of them went - except one young male. A brave ambulance man jumped down into the pit. He had to check the boy over before he could be moved. The young gorilla ran around angrily and threw stones at them all. In the end, everyone did get out safely. The boy was badly hurt but he has recovered.

Jambo, the gentle giant, died at the early age of 31. There is now a life-size statue of him at the zoo.

## A. Yes / No / Maybe

1. The zoo is in the Channel Isles.
2. The gorillas split the boy's head open.
3. Jambo was the largest gorilla.
4. Jambo stroked the boy's arm.
5. There were two keepers on duty.
6. The young gorilla threw stones.
7. The ambulance man was hurt.
8. Jambo died at age 13.



Jambo at Jersey Zoo  
(above and below left)

## B. Fill in the missing word

1. The boy 12 feet into the pit below.
2. The gorillas all moved the boy.
3. A ambulance man jumped down into the pit.
4. The boy was badly but he has recovered.
5. Jambo, the giant, died at the early age of 31.

## C. Sort out the jumbled words

wobel	pilst
therles	vaber
grainyl	ruth
legnet	tautse



## D. Endings and beginnings

1. Make a list of all the words in the article which end in **y**.
2. Make a list of all the words in the article which end in **ed**.
3. Make a list of all the words in the article which begin with **b**.