



The

Elephant



activity book

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Did you know?



No elephant willingly performs tricks or gives rides to tourists. They must be trained to do these unnatural things and the training hurts them.

1

Elephants have strong problem-solving abilities



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Rather than just something the young do, elephants play all their lives



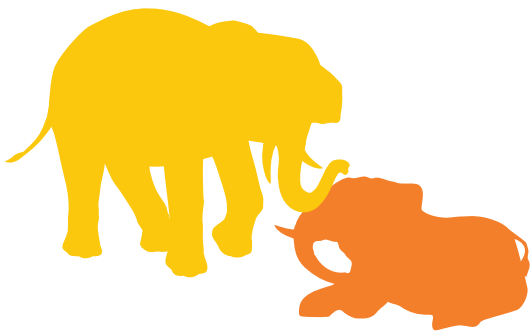
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Elephants are intelligent and travel far distances. They suffer greatly when kept by people



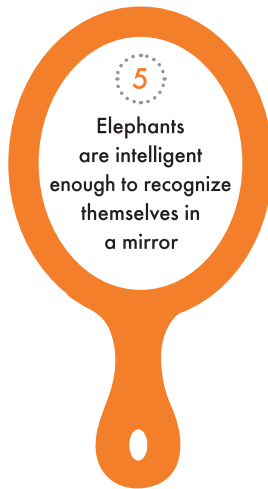
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Elephants will protect other elephants in need and help them when they are in trouble



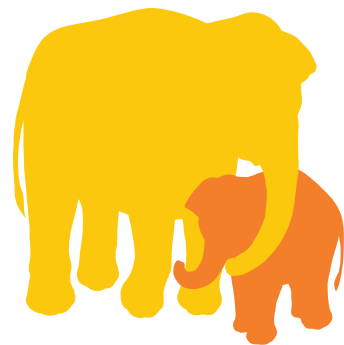
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Elephants are intelligent enough to recognize themselves in a mirror



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Elephants are caring and help other elephants who are hurt. They are sad when they lose a member of their family



If you love animals, the easiest way to help them is by

not going to

elephant entertainment parks that harm them.

These activities will help you learn what to look out for on your next family trip.

What's wrong with this picture?



Explain all the threats to an elephant's welfare.



Learn more about the threats to an elephant's welfare

1



Elephants are trained with hooks to control them so that people can ride them and force them to perform tricks. The training is called "the crush." This causes the elephants to feel pain and get hurt. It also makes them scared of their owners and trainers so they obey their commands.

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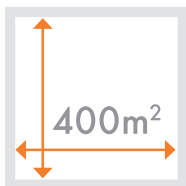
In the wild, elephants eat many different things including grasses, tree bark, leaves and small stems. In captivity, they are often fed the same type of food every day which can be boring and is not healthy for the elephants. Without a proper diet, the elephants can get sick.

3



Elephants are trained to do tricks to make people laugh. The training hurts them and makes them scared of their owners so they will obey them. They are trained to paint pictures, ride a bike and walk on a tightrope. None of these activities are natural for them to do. You would never see an elephant riding a bike in the forest! When wild animals can't act naturally, they get frustrated and sometimes get very sick.

4



In the wild, elephants will travel up to 10 km each day in the forest. That is like walking the length of your local community pool 1000 times! All this exercise makes them healthy and strong. In zoos and elephant riding camps, they are kept in small fenced-in areas, 1000 times smaller than their habitat in the wild. This gives them very little room to move, get exercise and do all the things that elephants like to do.

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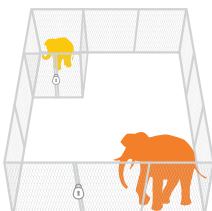
In captivity, most elephants are chained or tied up at night and during the day when they aren't giving tourists' rides. This prevents them from being able to move around, get exercise and choose who they want to be close to and what they want to do. How do you think this would make them feel?

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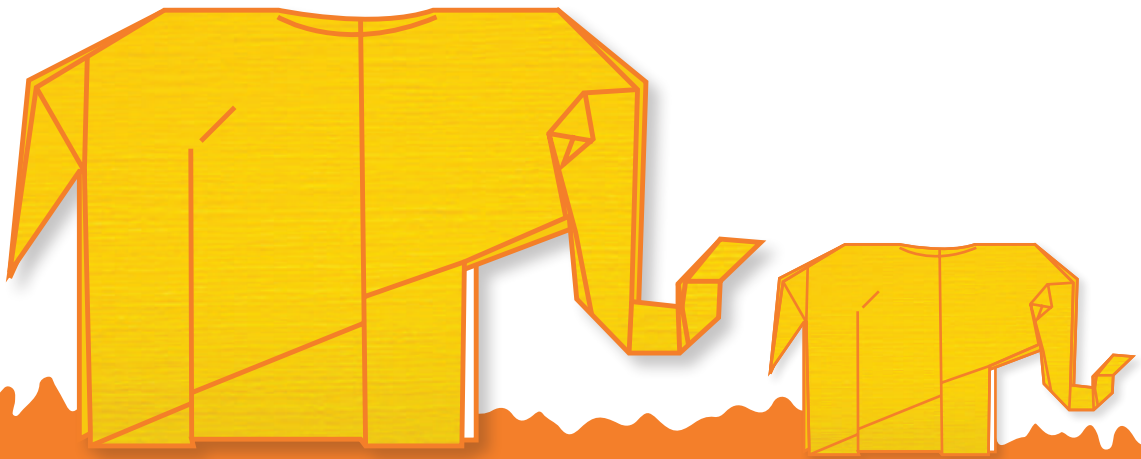


Saddles are put on the backs of elephants to give tourists a more comfortable ride. All elephants that give people rides were painfully trained first. Elephants can get injuries on their backs from the saddle and from their poor living conditions.

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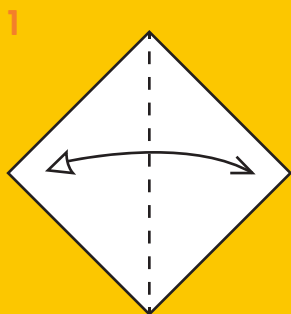
Elephants like to spend time with other elephants. They live together with their family. A group of elephants that live together is called a herd. Mother elephants especially want to be close to their babies which are called calves. Baby elephants are separated from their mothers in order to train them to give rides and do tricks. This makes the mother and baby elephant very sad.



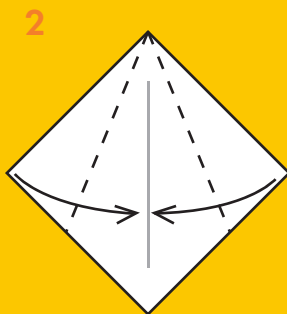
The elephant can survive
only if the forests survive.

Elephant origami

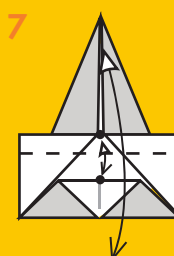
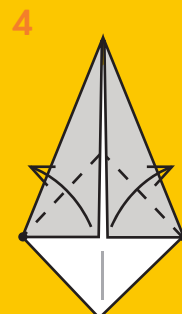
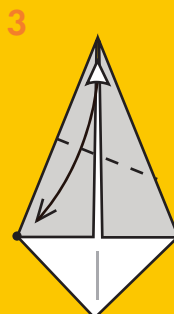
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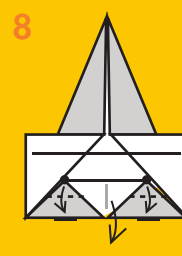
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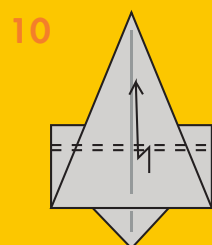
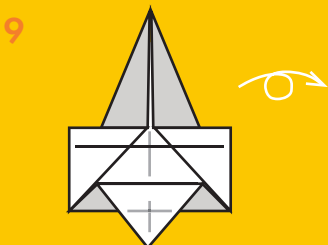
Kite-fold.



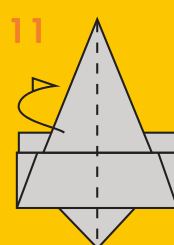
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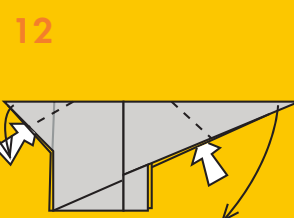
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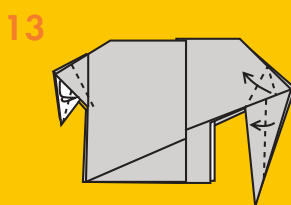
Mountain-fold along the crease for this thin pleat fold.



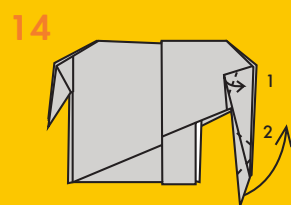
Fold in half and rotate



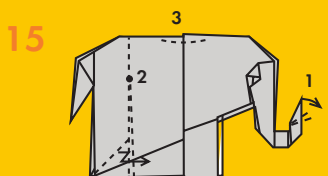
Reverse folds.



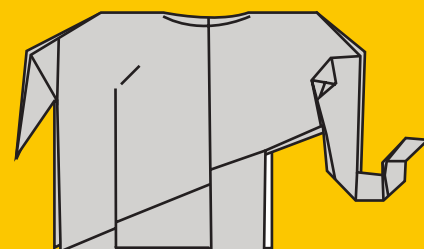
Repeat behind.



1. Squash-fold, repeat behind.
2. Reverse folds.

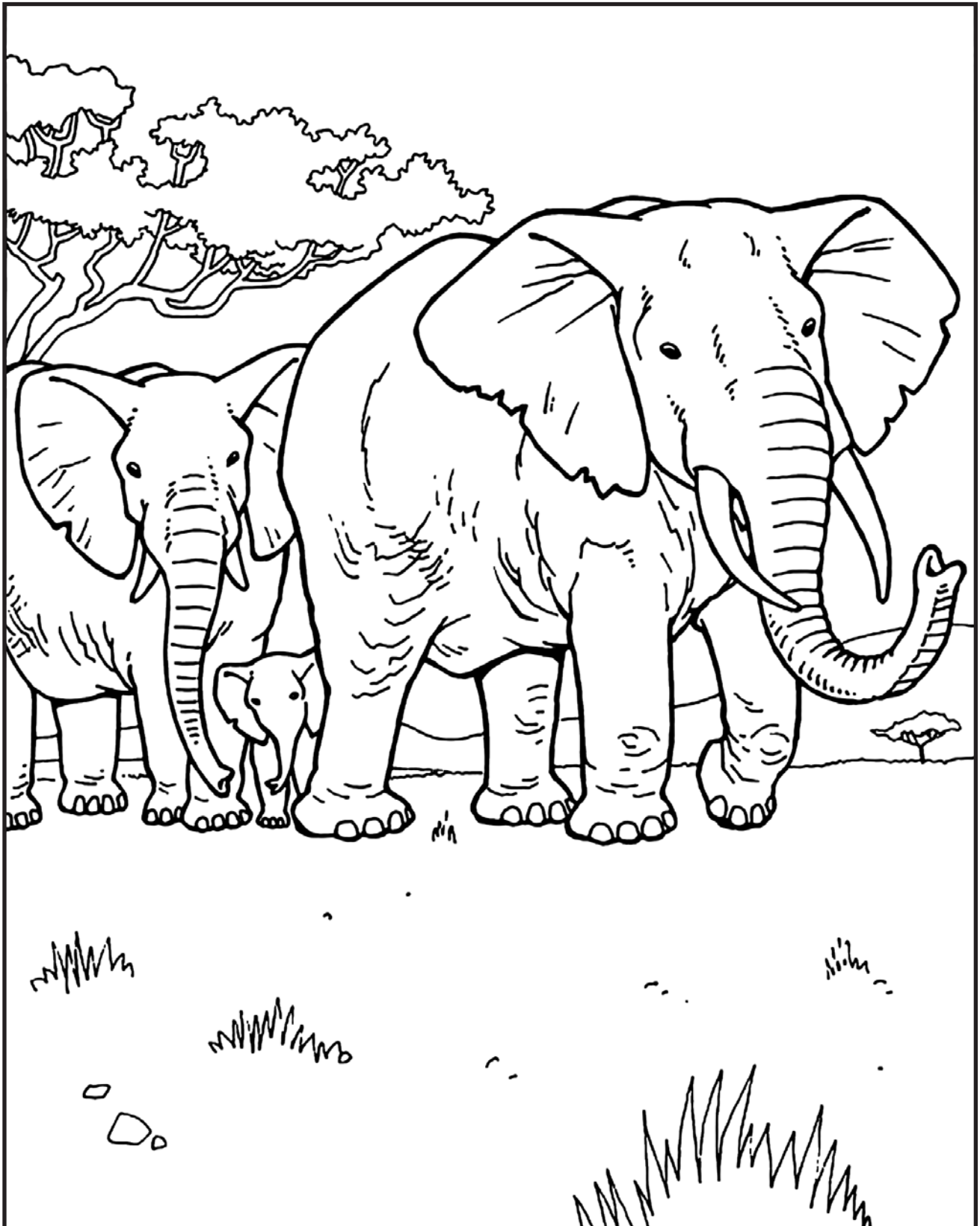


1. Spread the tip of the trunk.
2. Pleat-fold against hidden layers. Puff out at the dot and repeat behind.
3. Shape the back.



The Elephant ready to wander around in the forest.

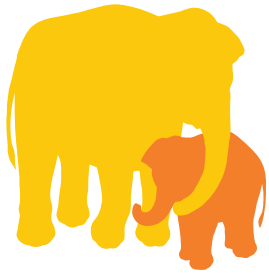
Colour for elephants



Word search

Find the words that impact an elephant's welfare.

Do you know what causes an elephant to suffer and what we can do to make sure they have a better life?



- ☐ Elephants
- ☐ Bullhook
- ☐ Selfies
- ☐ Distressed
- ☐ Chained
- ☐ No riding

- ☐ Not entertainers
- ☐ The crush
- ☐ End suffering
- ☐ Painful
- ☐ Wounded
- ☐ Natural behaviour

- ☐ Natural habitat
- ☐ Sentient
- ☐ Be responsible
- ☐ Freedom
- ☐ Animal welfare
- ☐ Roaming

- ☐ Wildlife
- ☐ Uncaged
- ☐ Solitude
- ☐ Herd
- ☐ Calf
- ☐ Graze

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