

SECTION B

How are animals part of our lives?

1a What do you know about elephants? Share your ideas with a partner.

1b Read Malee's post and choose the best title for it.

- A. What Is an Elephant?
- B. My Favourite Animal: The Elephant
- C. How to Save Elephants

Hi, I'm Malee and I live in Thailand!

The elephant is my favourite animal. I love elephants because they are strong and clever. They are also a symbol of good luck here. The elephant is our national animal. On 13 March, we celebrate Thai Elephant Day.

Elephants look very different from other animals. They are huge. They have large ears and long trunks. They can pick up and carry heavy things with their trunks.

Elephants are like us in some ways. They are very playful and love to play in the water. They are great swimmers. They are also clever. For example, they can remember one another and places with food and water after many years. Elephants are very kind too. They look after other elephants when they don't feel well. The big elephants also help the baby ones.

Elephants are an important part of Thai life and culture. However, they are in danger. They live in forests, but people cut down too many trees. People also kill elephants for their ivory. Let's save the forests and not buy things made of ivory. Every elephant counts.



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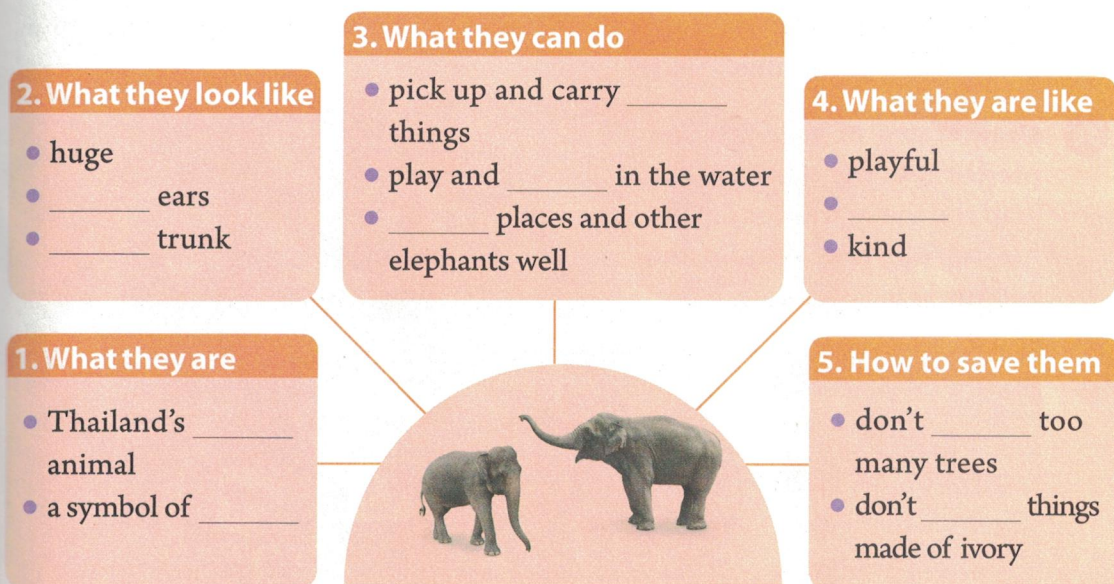
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1c Read the post again and answer the questions.

1. When do Thai people celebrate Thai Elephant Day?
2. What do elephants use to carry things?
3. Are elephants clever? Give your reasons.
4. Why are elephants in danger now?
5. How can we help save elephants?

1d Complete the mind map with the information from the post.



2a Complete the passage with the words in the box.

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2 hours ago

My dog, Xiaohua, is part of the family. She is quite a _____ dog, but she is not scary at all! She has _____ fur. She is really _____ and loves to play with everyone. She is also very special. You see, I am blind. Xiaohua is my eyes. She helps me find my way around. She can see and has _____ hearing. She helps me walk to school and stay safe. I love her very much. We are _____ friends.



2b Write a post about your favourite animal. Use the questions to help you.

- What does it look like?
- What is it like?
- What can it do?
- Why do you like it so much?