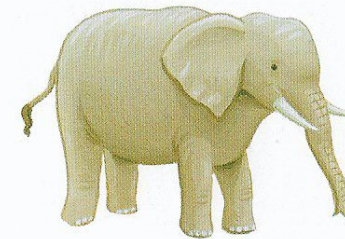


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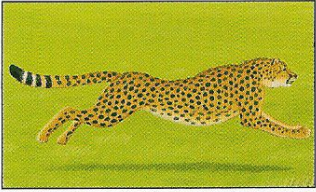


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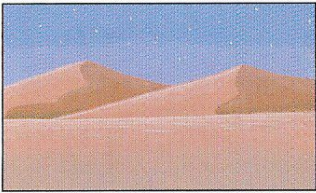
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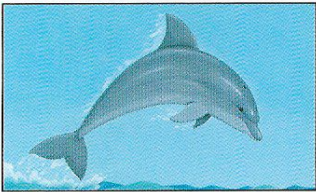
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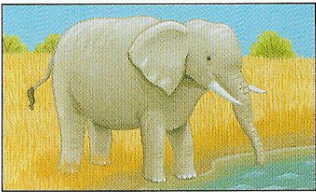
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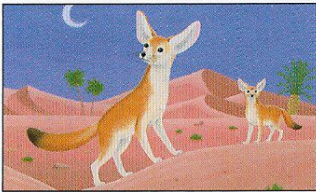
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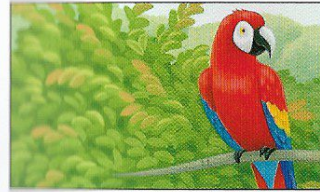
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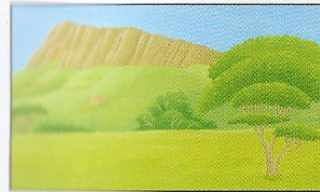
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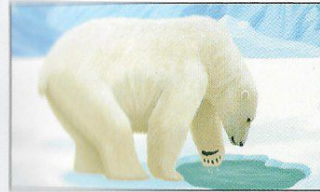
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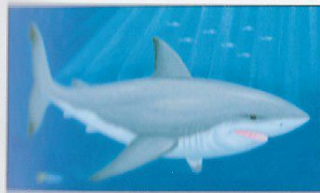
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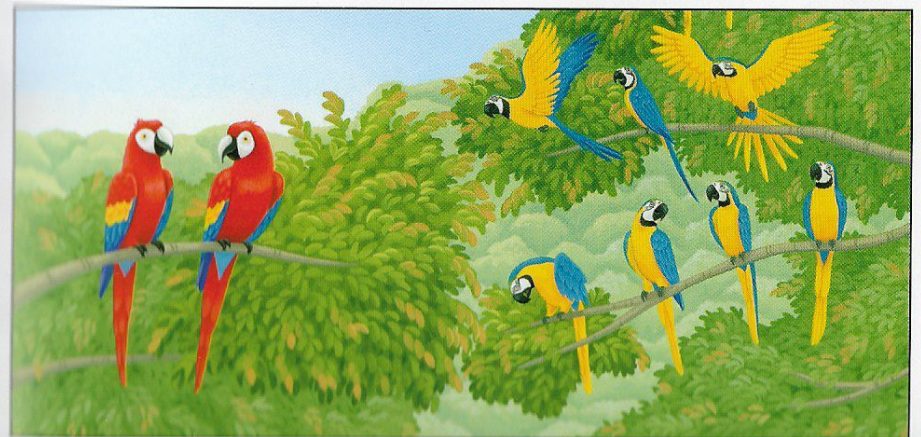
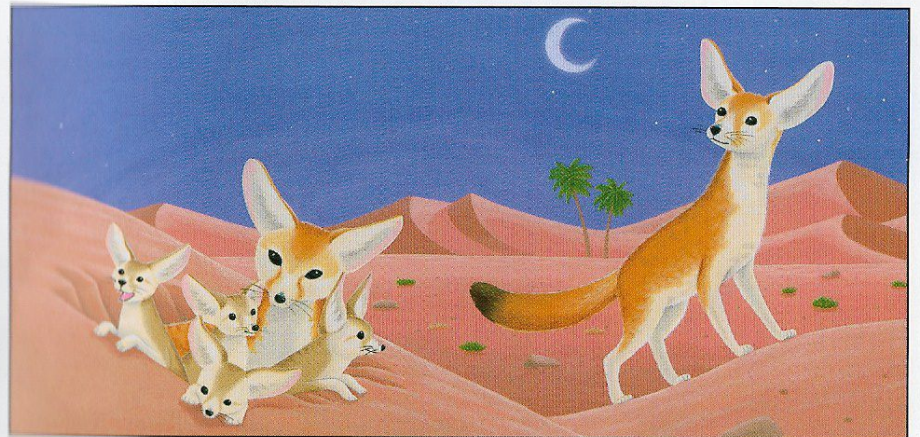
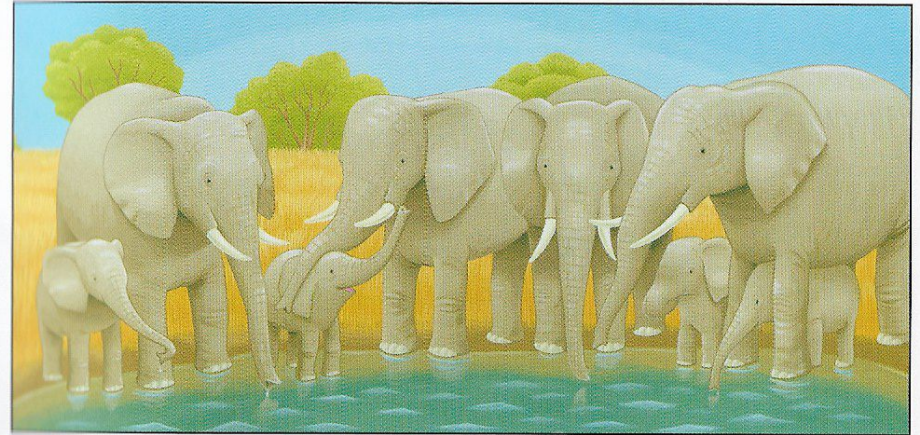
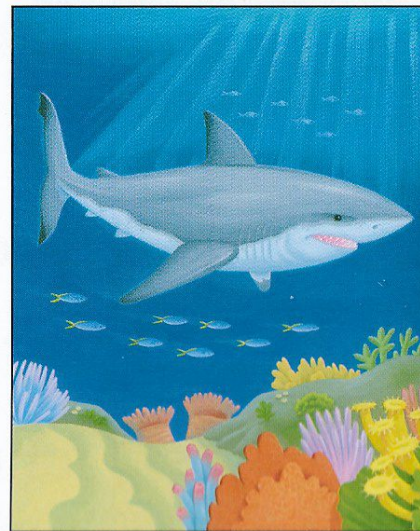
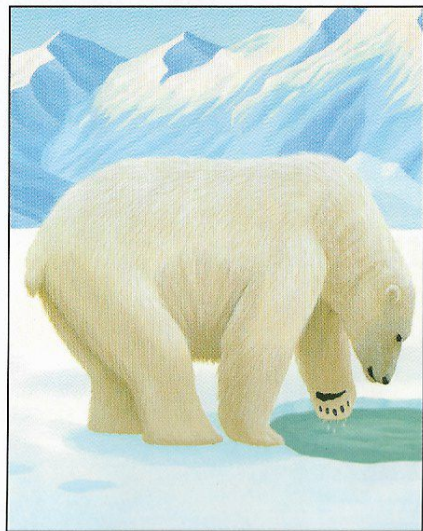


shark

# Wild animals

Wild animals do not live with people. They do not live on farms.

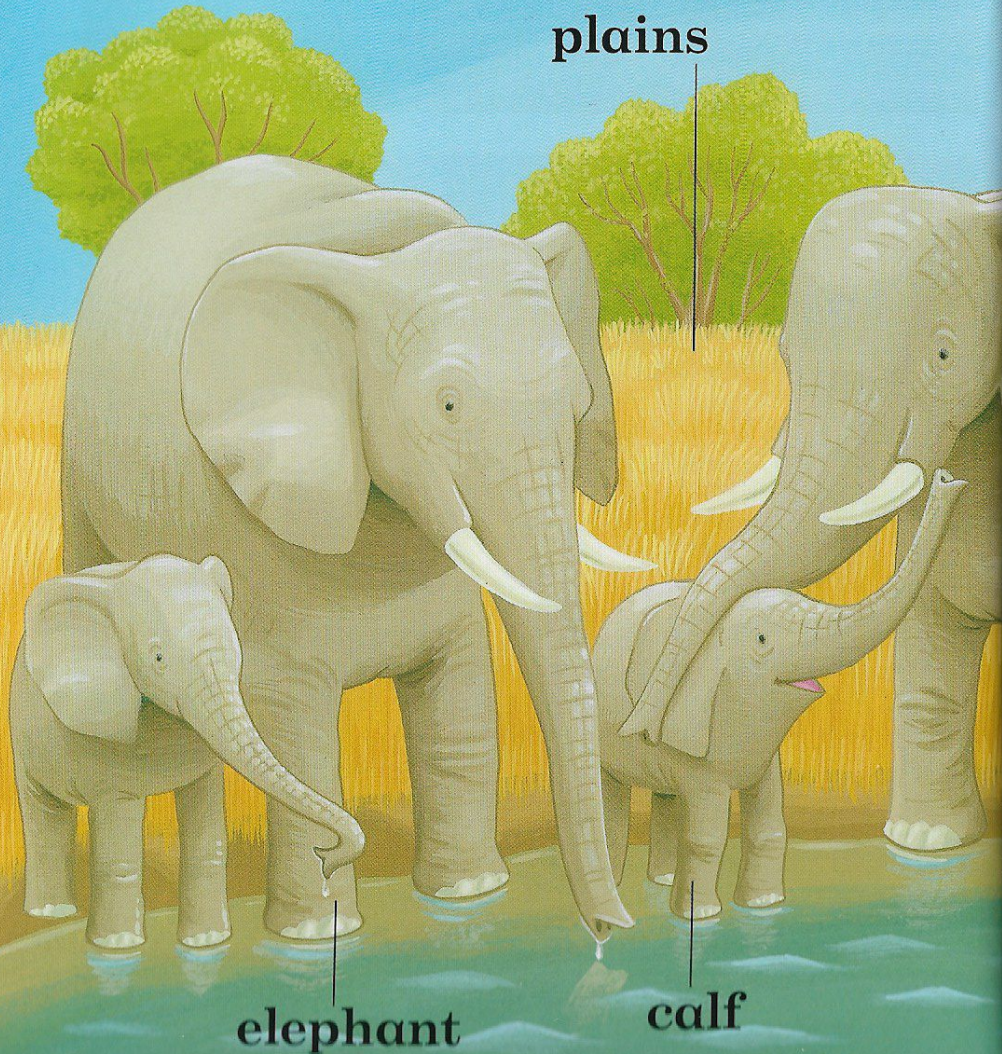
Some wild animals live together in large groups.  
Some wild animals live in small families.



These are all wild animals.

# Elephants

There are groups of elephants on the plains.

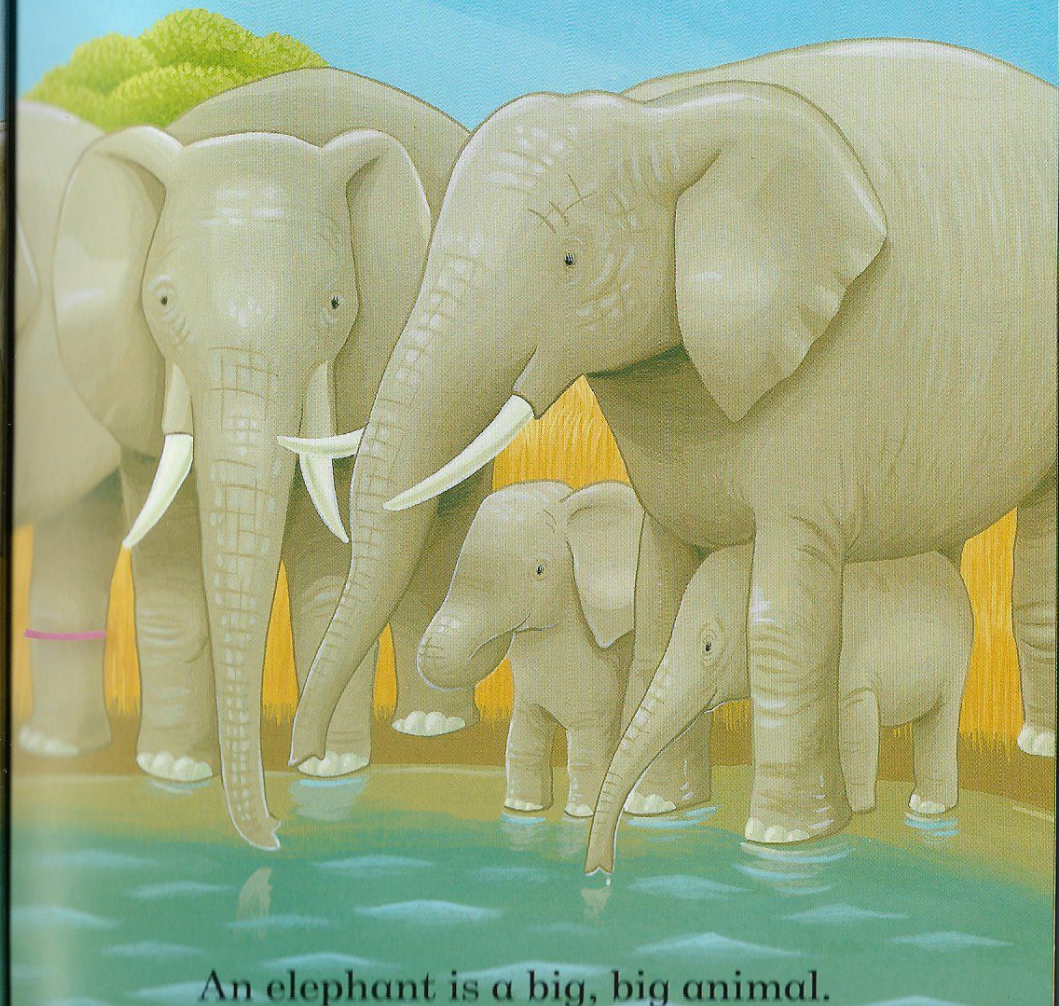


plains

elephant

calf

Elephant calves live in big groups with their mothers, brothers, and sisters.

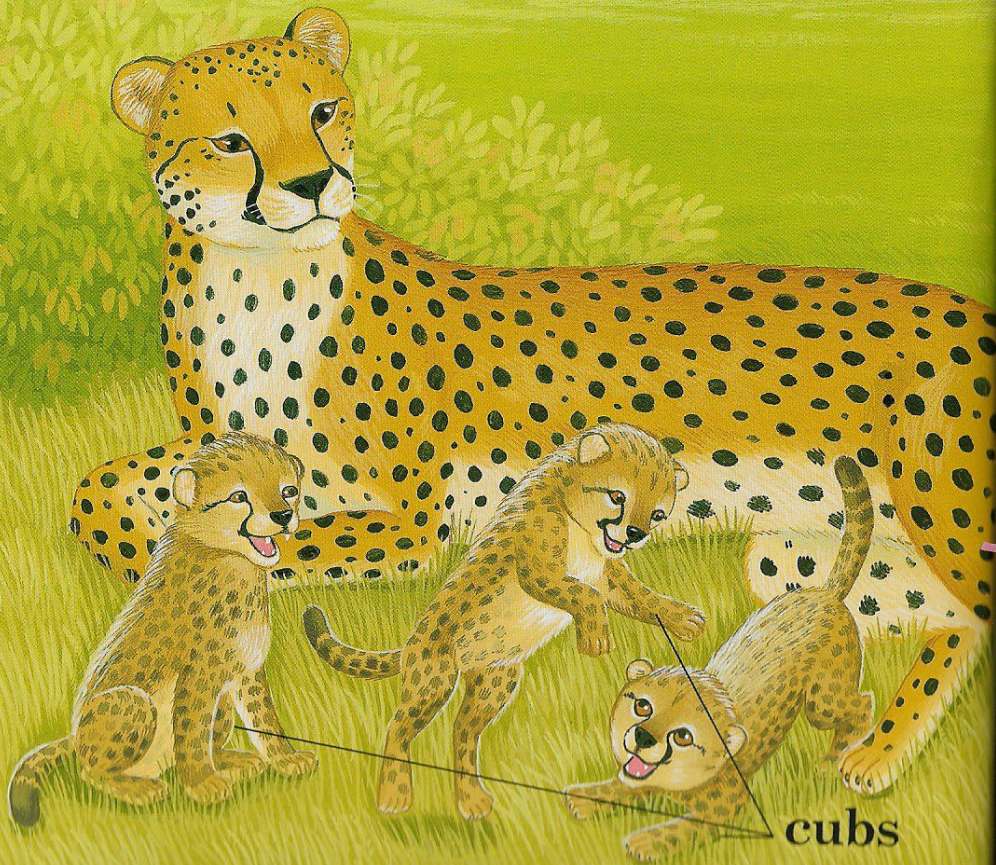


An elephant is a big, big animal.

# Cheetahs

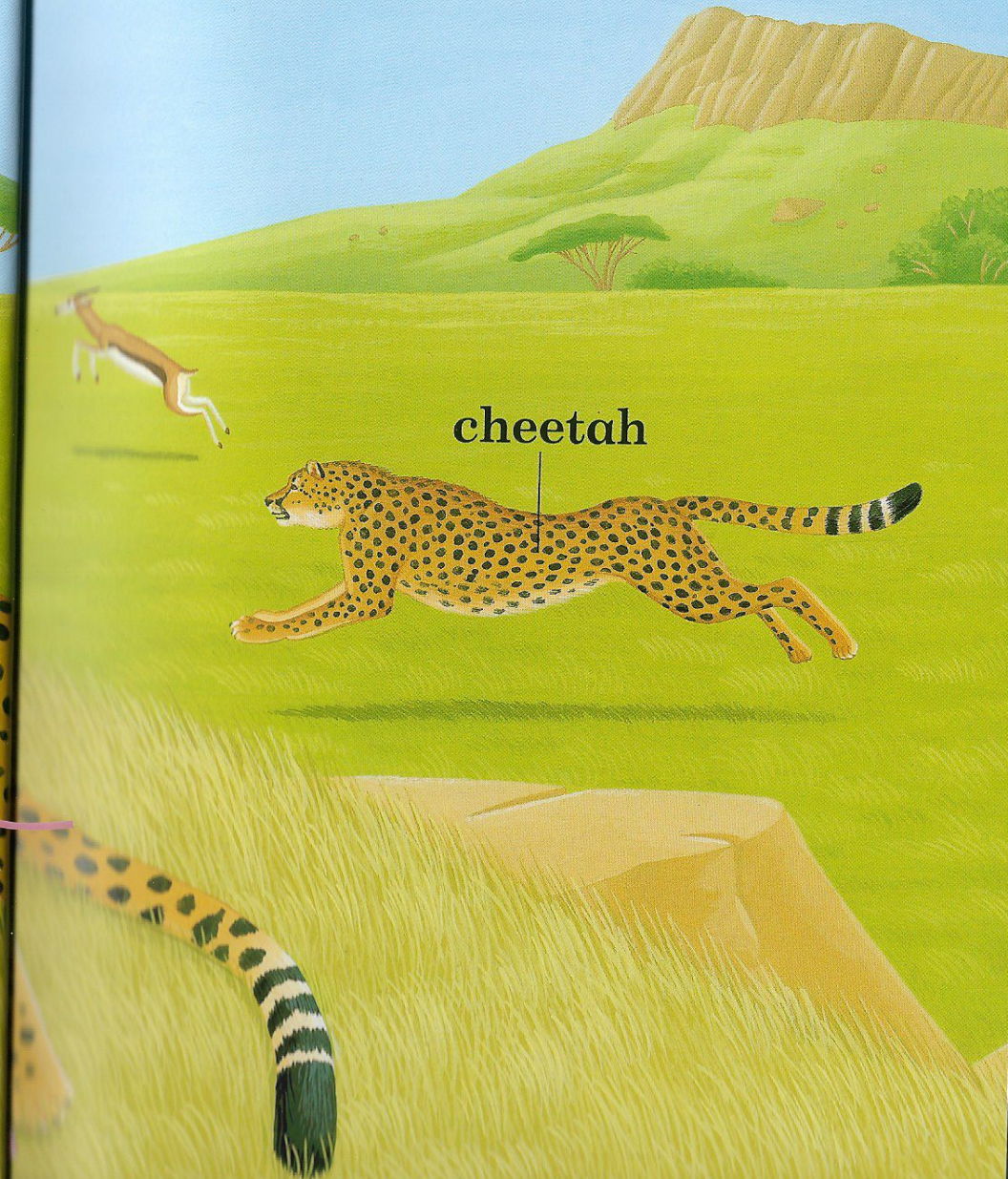
Cheetahs live on the plains.

Cheetah cubs live with their mother and their brothers and sisters.



A mother cheetah and her cubs.

Cheetahs are big animals.  
They can run very fast.



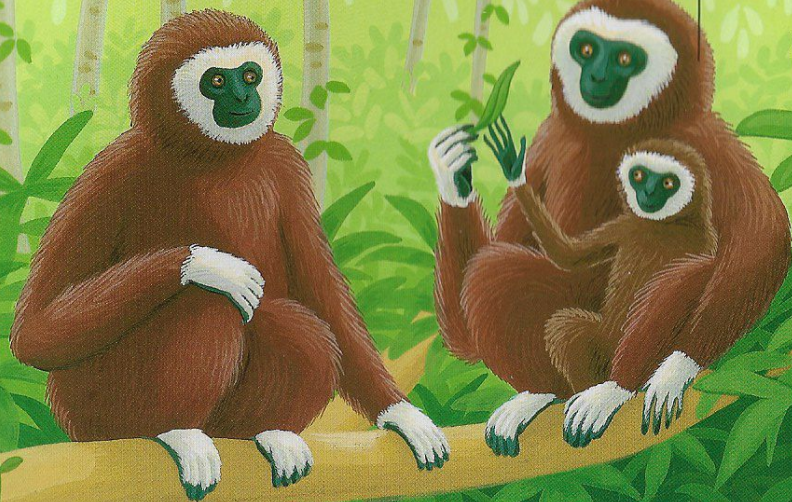
cheetah

# Gibbons

There are many gibbons in the jungle.

Gibbons live in family groups.

mother gibbon



jungle

Gibbons go from tree to tree.



# Parrots

All these parrots live in the jungle.

Some parrots live in little groups. Some parrots live in big groups.



Where is the big group of parrots?

Parrots go from tree to tree.



# Fennec foxes

This wild animal is a fennec fox.

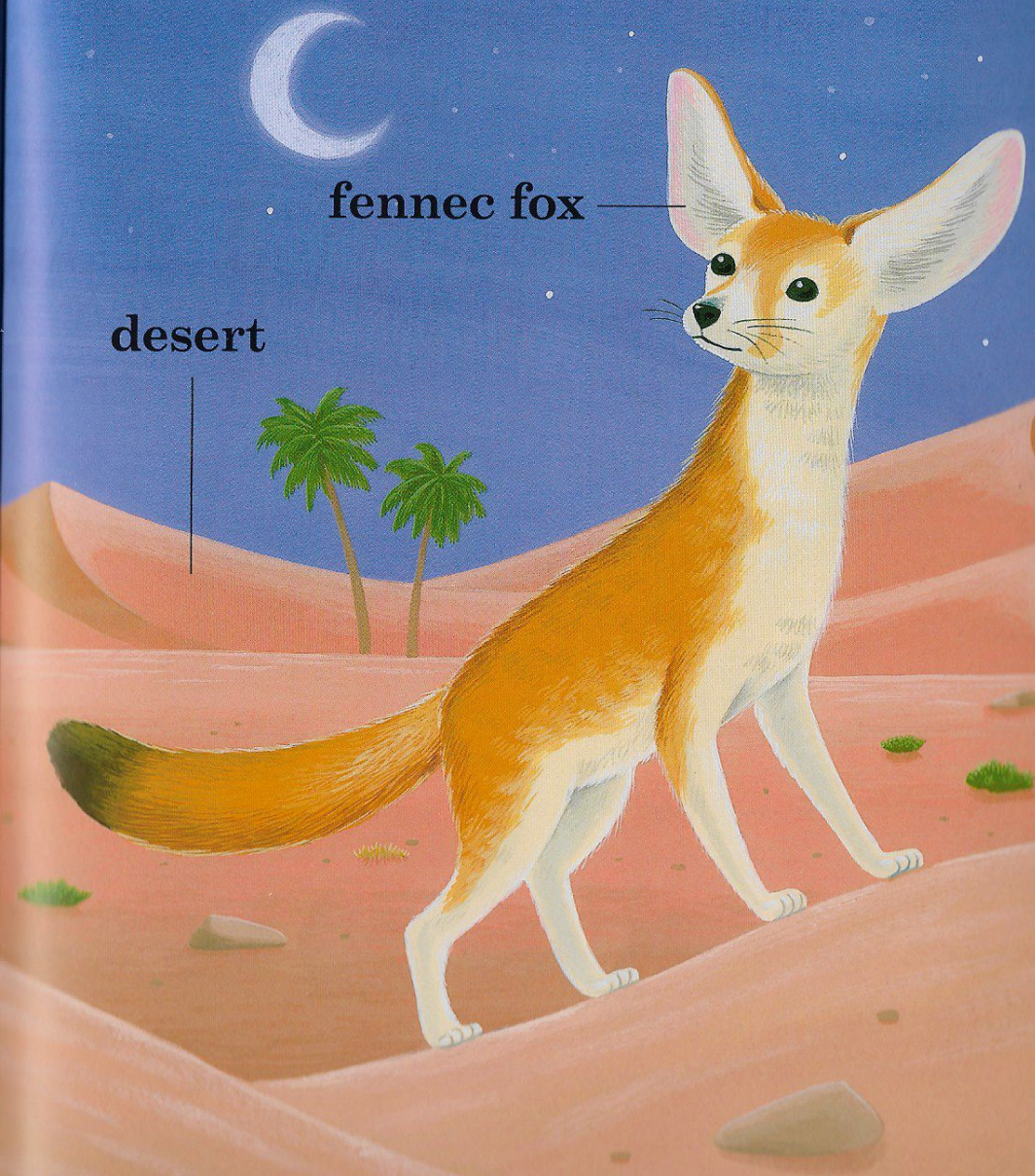
It lives in the desert in a family group.



cub

The fennec fox is not a big animal.

All the group help the fennec fox cubs.



fennec fox

desert

# Scorpions

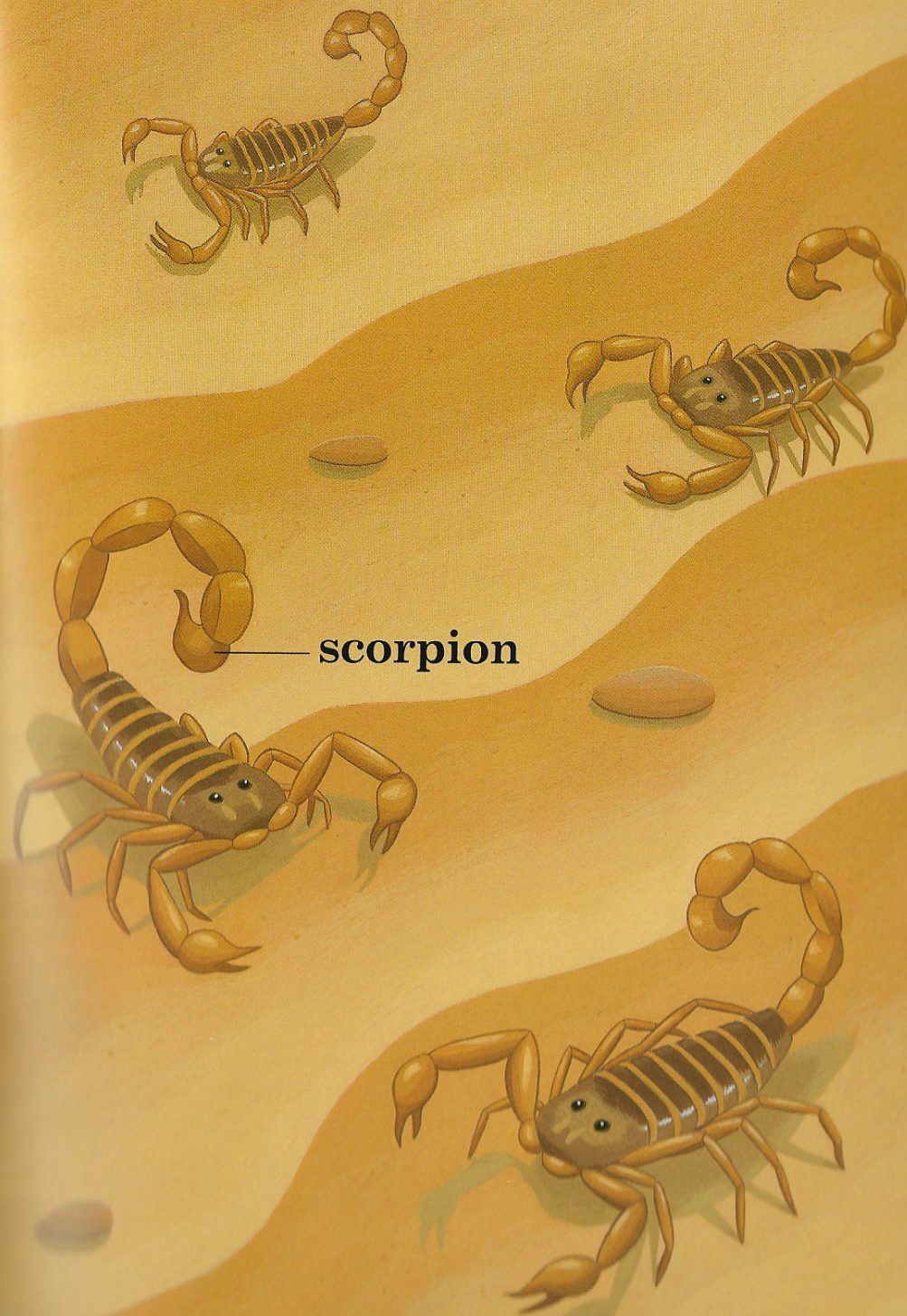
There are many scorpions in the desert.

A mother helps her children.



children

Can you see the scorpion children?

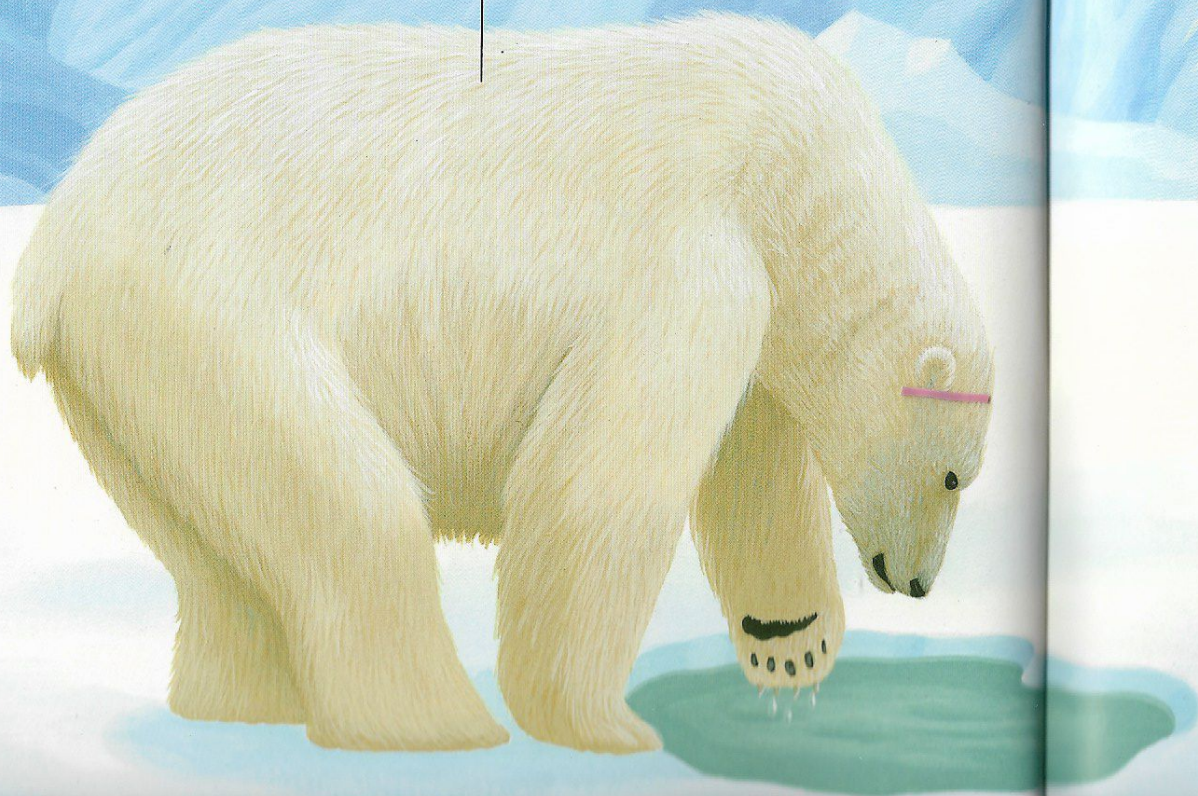


scorpion

# Polar bears

This is a polar bear. It lives in the Arctic.

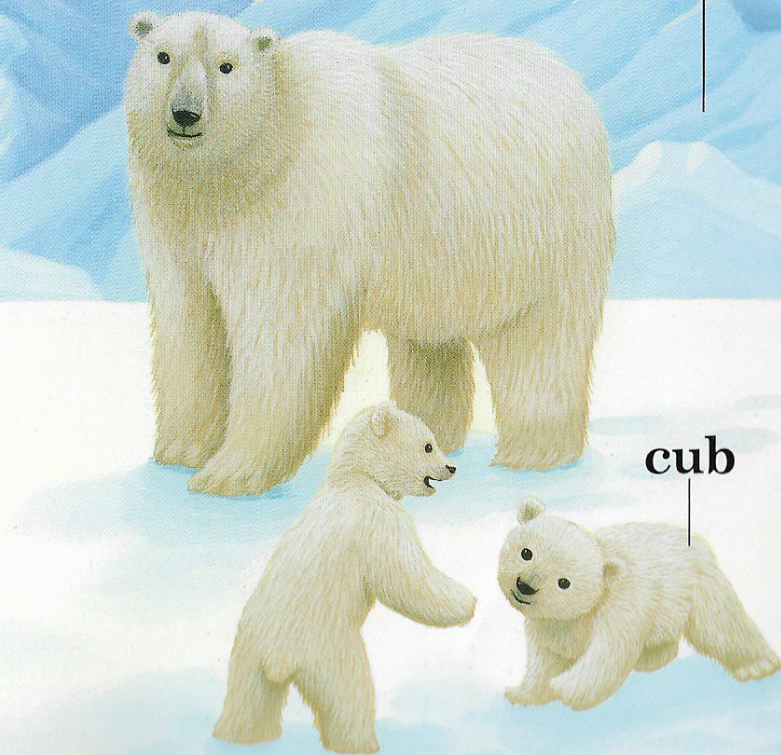
polar bear



A polar bear cub lives with his mother and his brother or sister.

Arctic

cub

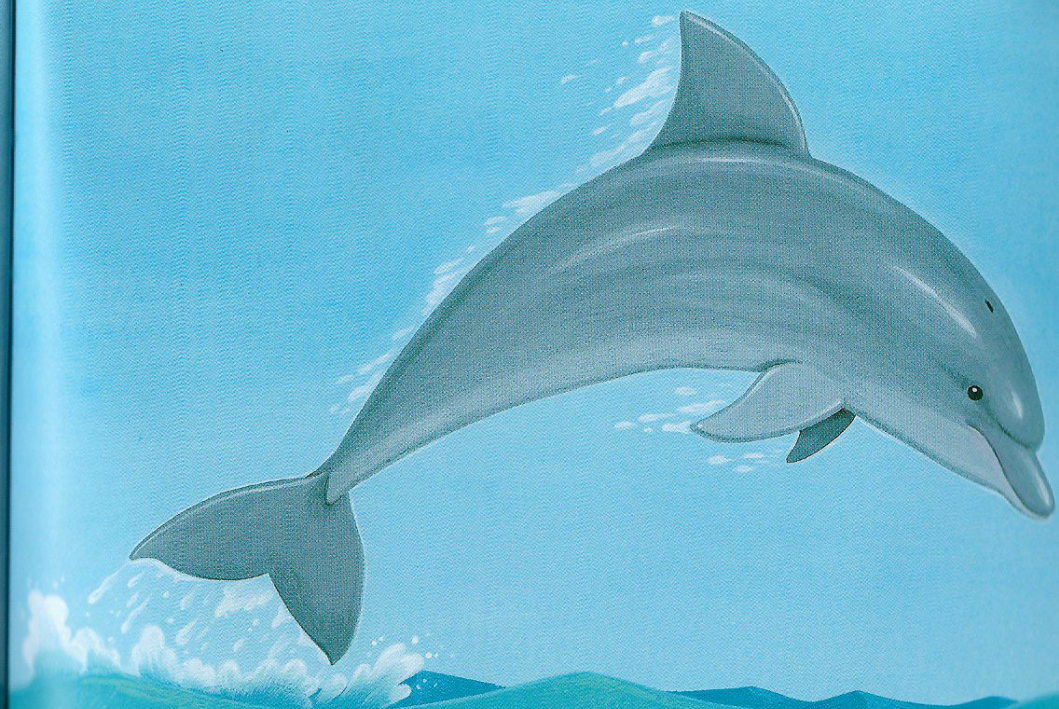
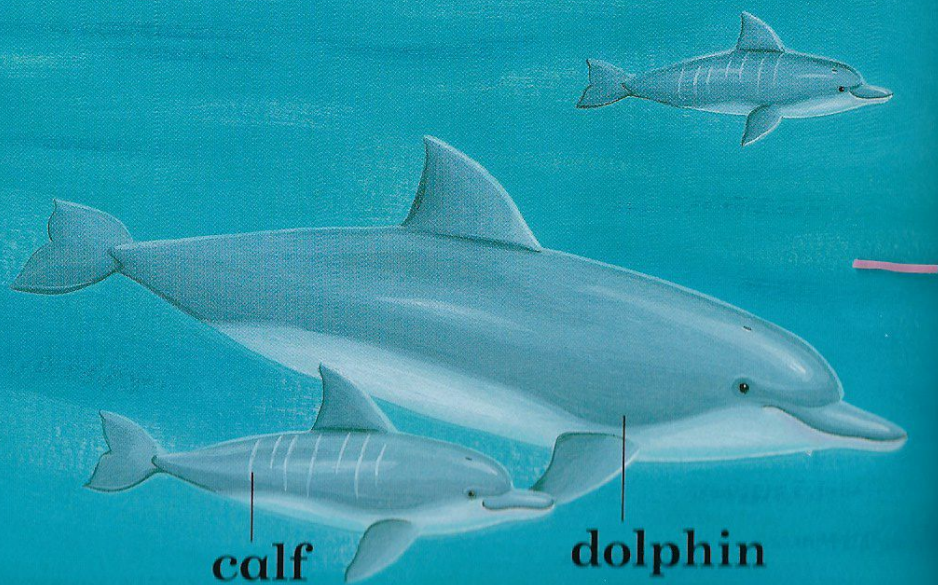


These polar bears live in the Arctic.

# Dolphins

There are many dolphins in the sea.

These dolphins and their calves live in family groups.

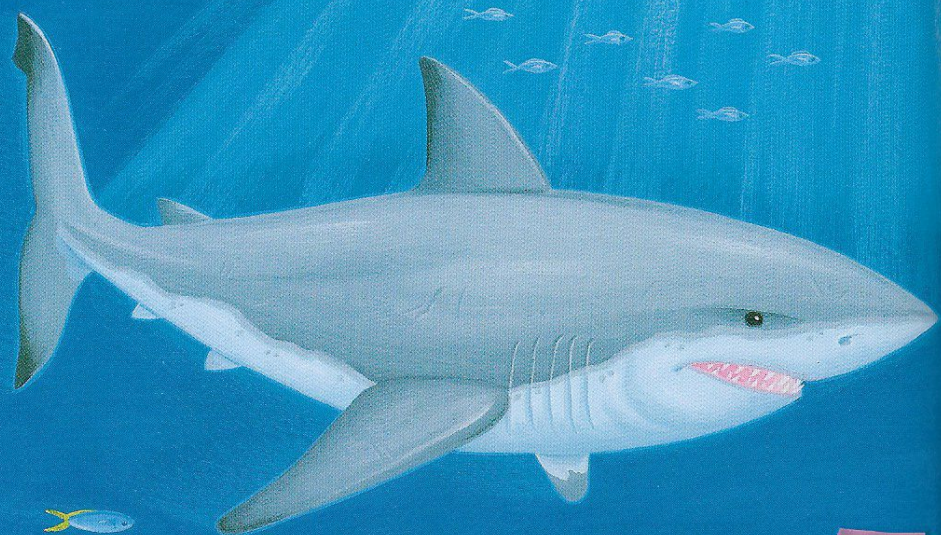


Dolphins are big sea animals.

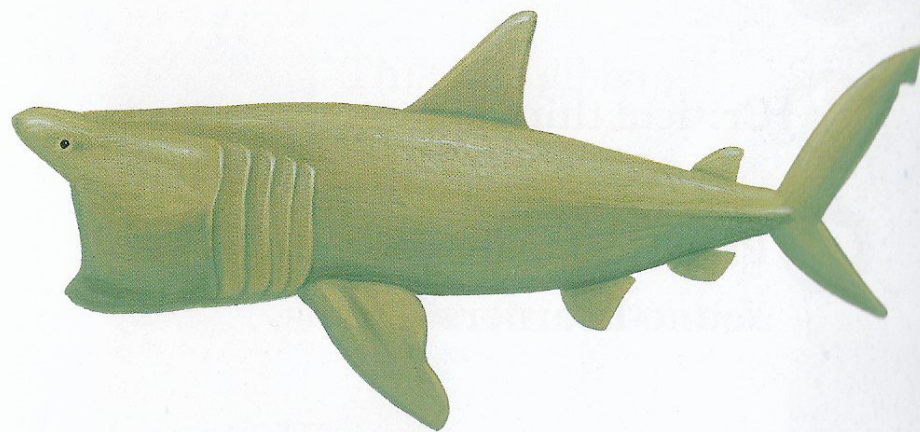
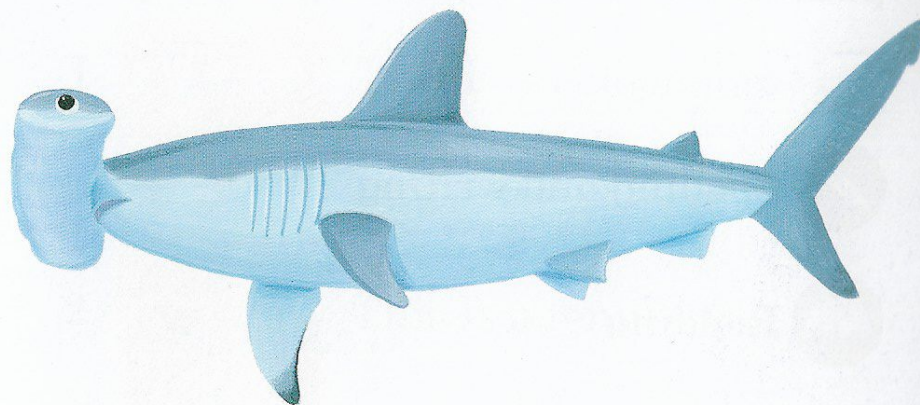
# Sharks

There are a lot of sharks in the sea.

Some are big and some are little.




Many sharks are big animals!



This shark is a little animal.


# Activities


The key below describes the skills practiced in each activity.

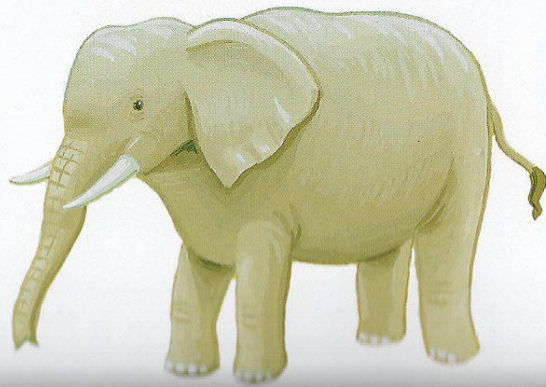
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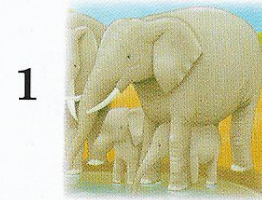
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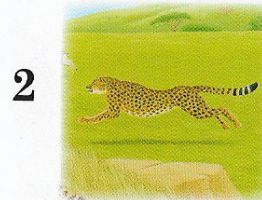


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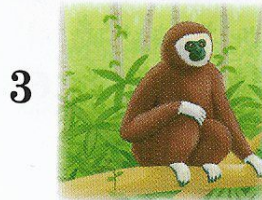
Put a  or a  in the box.  



This is an elephant with two calves.



This is a fennec fox.



This is a gibbon.



These are parrots.



This is a shark.



2 Look and read.

Write *yes* or *no*.



**Wild animals**  
 Wild animals do not live with people. They do not live on farms.  
 Some wild animals live together in large groups. Some wild animals live in small families.

These are all wild animals.

1 Some wild animals live together in groups.

yes

2 Some wild animals live on farms.

.....

3 Some wild animals never live in large groups.

.....

4 Some wild animals live in small families.

.....

3 Work with a friend.

Talk about the two pictures.

How are they different?

a

**Parrots**  
 All these parrots live in the jungle.  
 Some parrots live in little groups. Some parrots live in big groups.

Where is the big group of parrots?

b

Parrots go from tree to tree.

Example:

In picture a,  
 there is a little  
 group of parrots.

In picture b,  
 there is a big  
 group of parrots.

4 Find the words. 

c	u	b	o	s	c
n	x	u	y	c	a
o	g	o	x	o	l
s	r	n	k	r	v
h	o	i	q	p	e
a	u	e	n	i	s
r	p	q	w	o	b
k	s	u	a	n	k

cub



calves

groups

scorpion

shark



5 Read the text. Choose a word from the box. Write the correct word next to numbers 1—5.  

cub    calves    family  
mothers    wild

Elephants are <sup>1</sup> wild

animals. Some wild animals live in <sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ groups. Elephant

<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ live in big groups

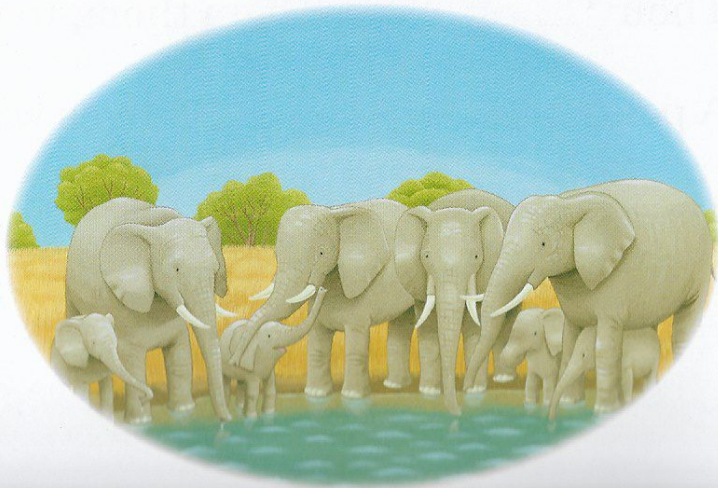
with their brothers and sisters.


Their <sup>4</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ help them, too.

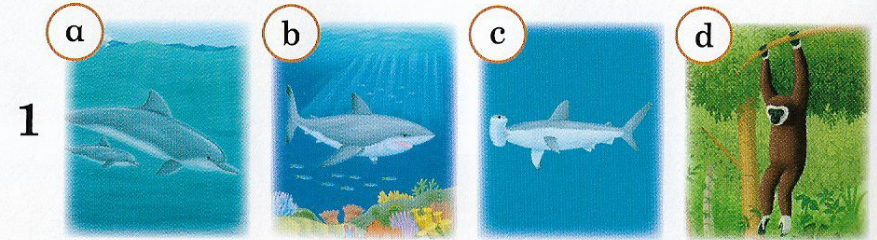
A polar bear <sup>5</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ lives with his mother and brother or sister.

6 Circle the correct word. 

- 1 Elephant calves live with their mothers / fathers.
- 2 A cheetah / parrot can run very fast.
- 3 Parrots can fly / swim.
- 4 Fennec foxes live in hot / cold places.
- 5 Scorpion mothers have two or three / many little scorpion children.

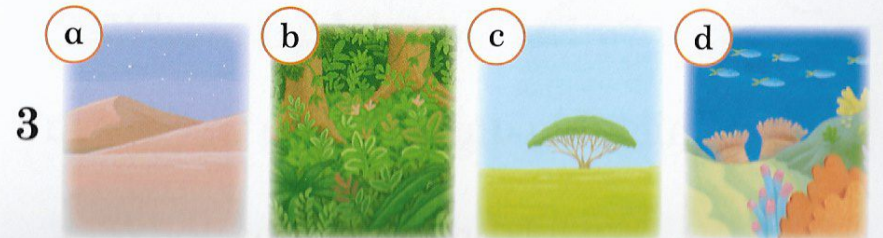
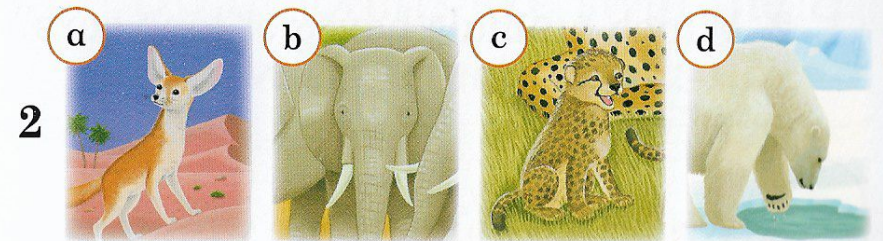


7 Look at the pictures. One picture is different. How is it different? Tell your teacher. 



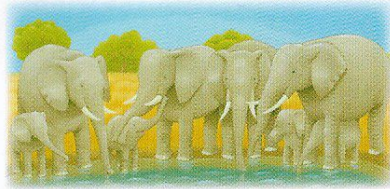
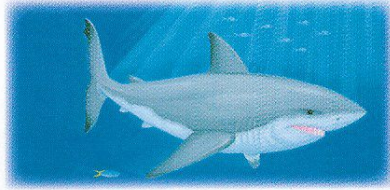
Example:

*Picture d is different because the animal does not live in the sea.*



8 Look and read.

Write the answers.  



1 Which animals have got big ears?

Elephants have got big ears.

2 Which animals have got long ears?


.....

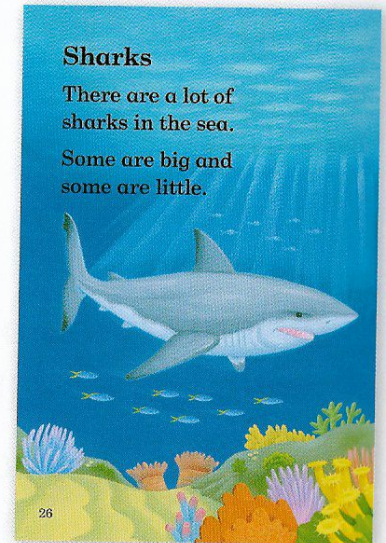
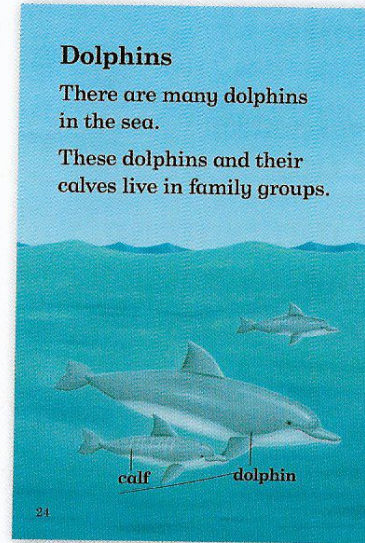
3 Which big animals are white?

.....

4 Which big animals live in the sea?

.....

9 Ask and answer the questions with a friend. 





1 *Do dolphins like swimming with their family?*

*Yes, they do.*

2 Where do dolphins swim?

3 Are all sharks big?

4 What color are sharks?

10 Read the text and choose the best answer.  

1 Mother polar bear:

“How are you this morning?”

- Cub:      a “I am very well.”  
              b “I am playing.”

2 Mother elephant:

“Would you like to drink some water?”

- Calf:      a “No, it is not.”  
              b “Yes, please.”

3 Mother cheetah:

“Did your brother play with you?”

- Cub:      a “Yes, he did.”  
              b “Yes, I did.”

4 Mother gibbon:

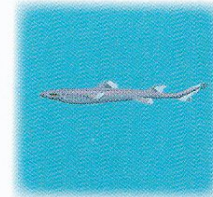
“Are you hungry?”

- Father:    a “Yes, I am!”  
              b “No, we cannot.”

11 Look and read.

Put a  or a  in the box.  

1



This is a shark.



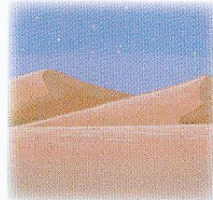
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These are scorpions.



3



Fennec foxes live here.



4



Dolphins live in groups.



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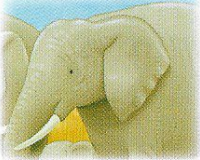


This is a little shark.



12 Write the missing letters. ✎


r r    c h    b b    p h    p h

1  ele p h a n t

2  dol ..... i n

3  ..... e e t a h

4  g i ..... o n

5  p a ..... o t

13 Read the questions and answers. ✎

Write *Why*, *What*, or *When*. 📖 ✎

1 When did the elephants drink some water?

They drank some water in the morning.

2 ..... did the cheetah cub run across the plains?

It was frightened.

3 ..... did the gibbons see in the trees?

They saw some parrots.

4 ..... did the parrots go to sleep?

They went to sleep at night.