

He became an ambassador for soccer



Cairo lived happily with his family on the savanna in Botswana. He spent most of his day roaming around. He walked across large distances to forage for grasses, fruits, roots, and bark. Many days he would walk with his herd as far as 50 miles. They would spend 12–18 hours feeding. He wasn't the largest member of the herd, but at twelve years old, he was one of the older male elephants in the group. He was not full grown, but he was tall enough to reach the tender leaves in the two-ball nitta trees.

Cairo loved to play games with the other ca would walk to the delta and splash in the water. Cowater. The elephants took water in their trunks ar Then, they used their trunks to cover themselves insects and worked as a sunscreen. Cairo couldn't was with his herd.

One day, as Cairo relaxed under the sun, his "the time has come for you to blossom and emerg "A bull?" Cairo asked.

"Yes, a bull. A bull is a full-grown male elepho your own to discover who you are. The rest of the cannot come with us. It's just the way it has alway

"But why, Mama?" cried Cairo. Big tears car large ears thrashed back and forth. His wrinkled, ; usual. "I want to stay here with you. I love you, M



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From Calf to Bull

What animal weighs about 12000 pounds and measures up to 10 feet tall at its shoulder? The male African elephant! The male African elephant is the largest land mammal in the world. The male elephants are also known as bulls. The bulls take a long time to become full grown. Baby elephants are also known as calves. They usually weigh between 200–250 pounds. They reach close to their full-grown size between ages 12–15 years old. But most continue to grow until they are about 25 years old.



Female elephant and calf

During this time of growth, the young male elephants travel together in a group called a herd. The herd also includes female elephants, or cows, and other young calves. They work together to find food. They protect each other from dangers in the savannah.

Having a herd is great, especially for female elephants. Female elephants remain in a herd for their whole 70 years of life. Life is very different for male elephants. They must journey out on their own around the age of 12. This makes it very important for them to learn, grow, and develop their most recognizable features while in the herd.

Elephant Trunks

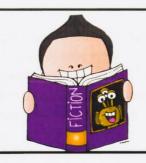
At birth, a male calf's trunk is not fully developed. It is usually very weak and has little coordination. It takes months of practice for a calf to gain full control of its trunk. A trunk is a

importance increases as the male grows. The tip ke fingers. This allows the elephant to use it with id suckle water. It's also used to clean themselves, sp food.

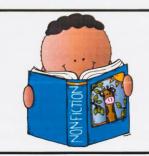


Elephants use their trunks to forage for food.

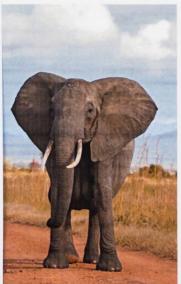
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- Read for entertainment
- Illustrations
- Dialogue
- Characters, setting, problem, solution
- · Beginning, middle, end
- Read in sequential order
- Includes fantasy, realistic, and other types of fiction



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- Read to learn
- Photos, charts, diagrams, and other text features
- Table of contents, index, glossary
- · Bold print, italics
- Different text structures including sequential, cause and effect, compare and contrast, problem and solution, and descriptive



Elephant Ears

The male of purposes. The lar the hot African s also used to come show anger or joy hear over long disaway. This helps delephants through them to judge the elephants. The elethem safe from another elephant?

Survival

Perfecting

