Elephants are the largest land mammals on Earth. They have long noses or trunks, large floppy ears, and wide, thick legs. There are two species of elephants, the Asian elephants (smaller ears) and the African elephants (largest ears).

They have nearly hairless gray or brown skin. The upper lip and nose grow into a trunk, or proboscis, reaching nearly to the ground. It is used for picking up food, feeding from trees and other sources, and drawing up water.

Elephants are herbivores and eat only plants. They eat fruits, leaves, shoots, and tall grasses. They eat hundreds of pounds of food a day and drink up to 50 gallons of water. They have no fixed living place but prefer to live near water. They travel about in herds of up to 100 animals.

Some elephants live to be 70 years old!
What do they look like?

Where do they live?

What do they eat?

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