



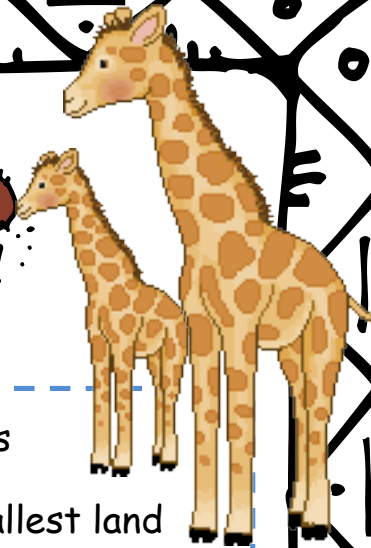
Elephants

The African elephant is the largest land animal. It can weigh up to 6 tons. Its tusks, large pointed ivory teeth, are found on both males and females. The elephant uses its trunk to breathe and to get water and food. It has wrinkled, gray-brown skin that is almost hairless.

These elephants have large ears shaped like the country of Africa. Their ears help to keep them cool.

The elephants live in social groups called troops. The male elephants are called bulls and the females are cows. The babies, called calves, are protected by their mothers.

Safari



Giraffes

The giraffe is the tallest land animal in the world. The giraffe can be as tall as 19 feet. A baby giraffe can be 6 feet at birth.

Giraffes live in herds in the African grasslands and eat leaves from tall trees. Giraffes can go days without water. In order to drink water, they have to spread their front legs apart and bend their long necks out to reach the water.

Giraffes can run up to 35 miles per hour. It almost looks like they are running in slow motion.

1. Male elephants are called _____.
2. Baby elephants are protected by their _____.
3. Elephants live in social groups called _____.
4. Giraffes can be _____ feet tall and run up to _____ miles per hour.

** What is your favorite safari animal? Draw a picture of it and write a sentence about it on the back of this page.