

# ELEPHANT QUIZ

This quiz about elephants will test your general knowledge about our amazing and graceful African and Asian elephants.

Name/Team \_\_\_\_\_

**Question 1:** There are two species of elephants i.e. Asian elephants and African elephants. Which species has the largest ears ?

- (a) Asian elephants (b) African elephants (c) Neither. Their ears are about the same size.

**Question 2:** Which species of elephant has the wrinkliest skin? © [www.free-for-kids.com](http://www.free-for-kids.com)

- (a) Asian elephants (b) African elephants (c) Neither. Their skin is about the same.

**Question 3:** Sadly, elephants are hunted illegally for their tusks .... but why are Asian elephants hunted less than African elephants ?

- (a) Asian elephants are hard to track (b) Asian elephants are dangerous to hunt  
(c) Only male Asian elephants grow tusks

**Question 4:** Approximately how many muscles are in an elephant's trunk?

- (a) 100 (b) 1000 (c) 100,000 (one hundred thousand)

**Question 5:** Approximately how long does a baby elephant stay with its mother?

- (a) 5 years (b) 8 years (c) 11 years

**Question 6:** What is the typical life span of an elephant?

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- (a) 60 to 70 years (b) 80 to 90 years (c) 100 to 110 years

**Question 7:** Elephants walk quite slowly (about 4 mph) but roughly how fast can they run if excited or scared?

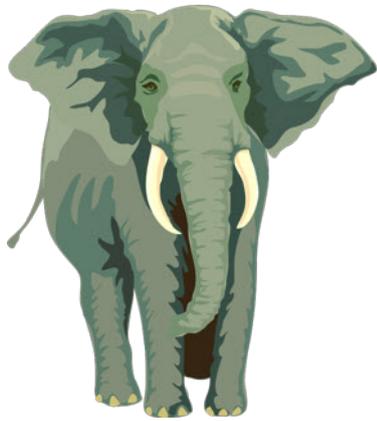
- (a) 20 mph (b) 30 mph (c) 40 mph

**Question 8:** Which one of these statements is true about elephants?

- (a) they cannot jump but are good swimmers (b) they can jump but cannot swim  
(c) they can jump and are also good swimmers

**Question 9:** About 50 million years ago the earliest known ancestors of elephants were twice as big as modern day elephants. TRUE or FALSE ?

That's the end of our general knowledge quiz about elephants. It's time to check your answers.



# ANSWERS TO OUR ELEPHANT QUIZ

**Answer 1:** (b) African elephants (a simple way of remembering the difference is that an African elephant's huge ears are similar to the shape of Africa itself).

**Answer 2:** (b) African elephants (by comparison, Asian elephants have quite smooth skin).

**Answer 3:** (c) Only male Asian elephants grow tusks (and not all males have them).

**Answer 4:** (c) Approximately 100,000 (one hundred thousand)

**Answer 5:** (a) Approximately 5 years

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**Answer 6:** (a) 60 to 70 years

**Answer 7:** (b) 30 mph

**Answer 8:** (a) they cannot jump but are good swimmers

**Answer 9:** False. They were only about 60 cm tall ..... and they didn't have a trunk.

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