

Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Teamwork

Word Challenge

'Big elephants can always understand small elephants' is a mnemonic that helps with the spelling of the word 'because.'

Create a mnemonic for the words 'desperate' and 'necessary'.

Grammar Challenge

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Rewrite the sentence below, adding a relative clause.

The new-born calf was slipping and sliding in the thick mud.

Example: The new-born calf, which had fallen behind, was slipping and sliding in the thick mud.

Challenge: Write a follow-on sentence that includes an example of personification.

Did You Know?

Elephants demonstrate deep family bonds and cooperation within their herds. They are usually led by the oldest female, called the matriarch. She helps guide the herd to find food and water. Elephants take great care of each other, protect their babies and work together as a team. For example, if a baby elephant gets stuck in the mud, the others will help pull it out. They also protect each other from danger and have even been known to help other animals in need.



Credit: BBC Two - Natural World

Number Challenge

Fact: An elephant's trunk has around 40,000 muscles. A human has around 600 muscles.

Around how many humans would need to be in a room for there to be the same number of muscles as in an elephant's trunk?

Critical Thinking

"Helping others is the way we help ourselves."

Is this always, sometimes or never true? Why do you think this?