## Animal Facts! - Elephants

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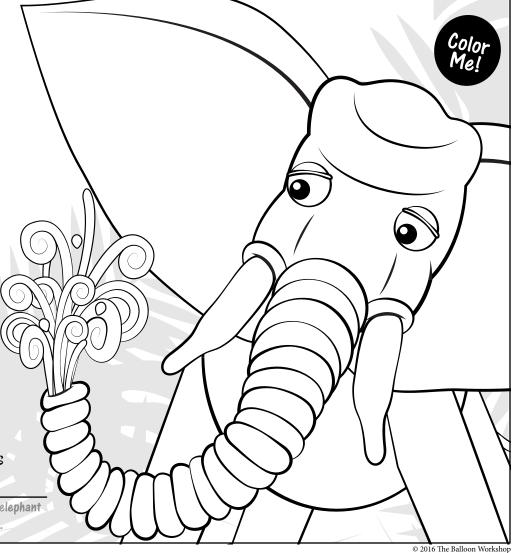
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- The African elephant is the largest land animal in the world.
- Elephants do not like peanuts. They do not eat them in the wild and zoos do not feed them to their elephants.
- Female elephants live in groups of about 15 animals, all related and led by a matriarch (may-tree-arc), usually the oldest in the group.
- To protect themselves from getting sunburned, elephants throw dirt and sand onto their body using thier trunks.
- Elephants are herbivores, meaning they don't eat meat, only plants and vegetables.
- One ear from an African elephant weighs more than 100 pounds.
- Elephants consume as much as 300-495 pounds (136 224 kilograms) of food and 40-50 gallons (151 189 liters) of water per day.
- An elephant's skin is an inch thick.
- Elephants can live to be over 70 years old.
- Elephants have poor eyesight but an amazing sense of smell.
- Only one mammal can't jump the elephant.
- Elephants purr like cats do, as a means of communication.
- An elephant's trunk has about 40,000 muscles in it.
- A female elephant is called a cow, a male elephant is called a bull, and a baby elephant is called a calf.



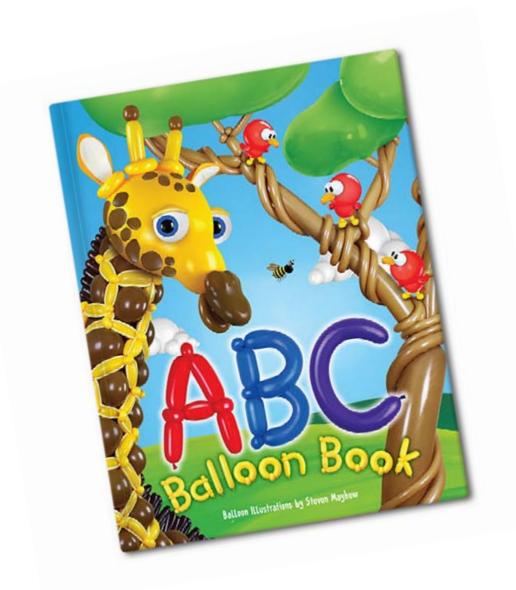
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