

Deadly Animals

Gap fill

Listen to the story and fill in the blanks.

What are the _____ dangerous animals? Here are the top _____ killers.

Number one is the _____. It kills about _____ people a year. The dangerous mosquitoes _____ mostly in Africa.

They have a bug that makes people _____. That bug causes a disease _____ malaria.

The _____ cobra is number two. Each year, cobras kill between 20,000 and _____ people.

Most of _____ are from India. Cobras have a _____ that makes people sick. Most people _____ because they cannot go to a hospital.

The hippo is number _____. It looks cute but it is dangerous. Each year, hippos kill about _____ people.

That's more than the _____ of people killed by lions, elephants and rhinos. Hippos will _____ humans and other animals if their babies are in _____.

Nile crocodiles are number _____. These scary animals have sharp _____, strange eyes and can grow up to _____ meters.

They kill between _____ and several thousand people a year, _____ in Africa. Crocodiles will _____ big animals like elephants and hippos.

There are many dangerous _____ in the world. But the most dangerous one of all is the _____ being.

Synonym match

Match the words or phrases.

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| 1. disease | a. adorable |
| 2. poison | b. frightening |
| 3. cute | c. illness |
| 4. attack | d. venom |
| 5. scary | e. charge |

True or false

Choose the correct answer.

1. Mosquitoes kill lots of people each year. T or F
2. Malaria comes from mosquitoes. T or F
3. The hippo kills about 100 people per week. T or F
4. Nile crocodiles aren't afraid of elephants or people. T or F
5. King cobras have poison. T or F

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Anagrams

Move letters. Make a new word.

UDESAGONAR _____

EASEIDS _____

PRHSA _____

SEGRATN _____

NOPSOI _____

LTISHAOP _____

ESL discussion questions

Talk about the story

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1. What is your favorite animal and why?
 2. Are there any dangerous animals in your country?
 3. What is the cutest animal in the world?
 4. Why, do you think, hippos kill so many people?
 5. Which animal gives humans the most help?
 6. Which animal makes the best pet?
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Writing practice

Put the words in the correct order.

1. mostly / in / dangerous / mosquitoes / The / Africa / live

2. their / in / humans / are / and / other / animals / babies / attack / danger / Hippos / will / if

3. That / a / malaria / causes / disease / called / bug

4. and / elephants / Crocodiles / like / hippos / attack / animals / big / will

5. that / a / poison / sick / people / Cobras / makes / have
