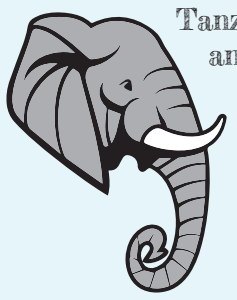
Africa

Africa, the second-largest continent, comprises about one-fifth of the world's land area. More than half of the African continent is covered by grassland or savanna. You will find some of the largest and most fascinating mammals on this planet.

Did you know that when an elephant drinks, it sucks as much as 2 gallons (7.5 liters) of water into its trunk at a time? Then it curls its trunk under, sticks the tip of its trunk into its mouth, and blows. African elephants can mostly be found in the rainforests of the Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Uganda, and Kenya.



To stay cool in the blistering African heat, hippos spend most of their day in rivers and lakes of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya, and other countries. Their eyes, nose and ears are located on the top of their head, which means they can see and breathe whilst submerged in the water.

What's more, these super-cool creatures sweat an oily red liquid which helps protect their skin from drying out - and acts as a sunblock, too! Cool, huh?

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Easily recognized by its coat of reddish-orange with dark stripes, the tiger is the largest wild cat in the world. On average, the big cat weighs 450 pounds, about the same as eight ten-year-old kids! However, did you know that there are no wild tigers in Africa? Their ancestors migrated to Asia over two million years ago! Today, you can only find tigers on wildlife reserves in the country of South Africa.