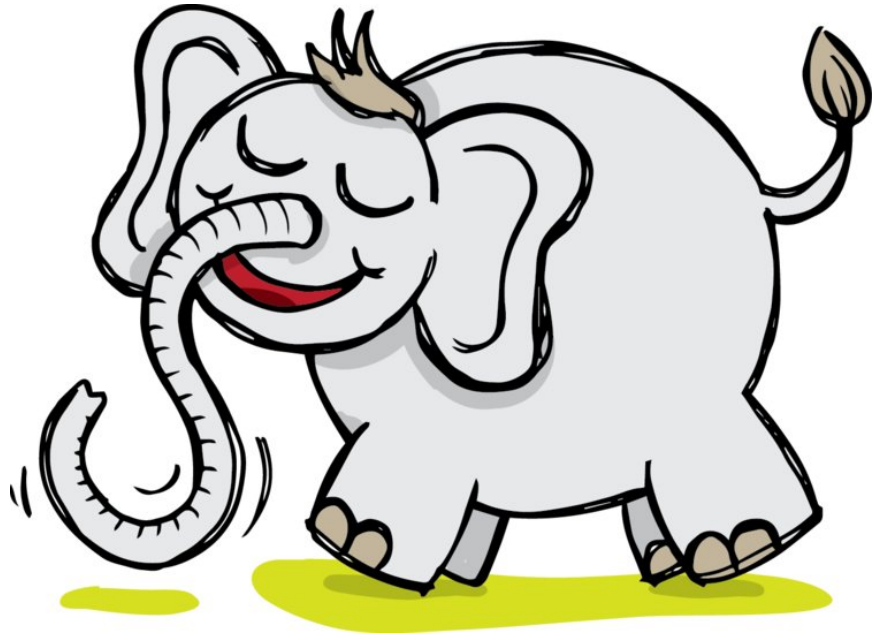
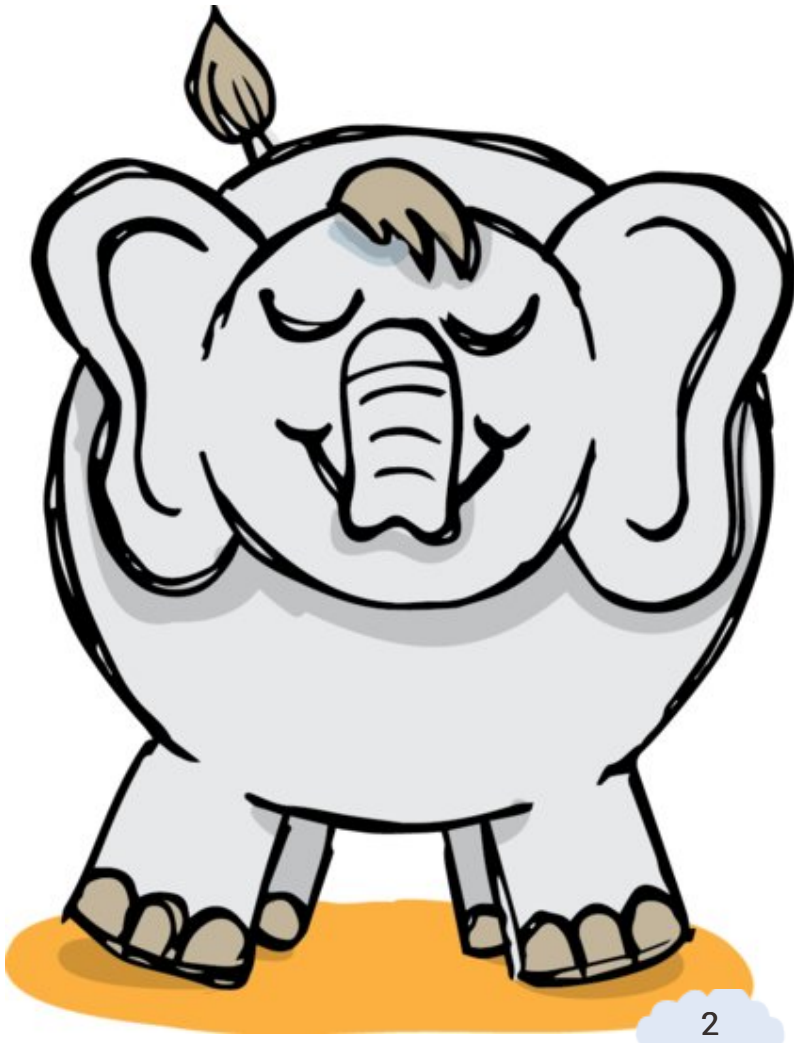


Elephant's nose

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Everyone knows that elephants have long noses.





But a long time ago, the elephant's nose was short and fat.

A baby elephant was born.
She was very curious.
She had a question for
every animal.

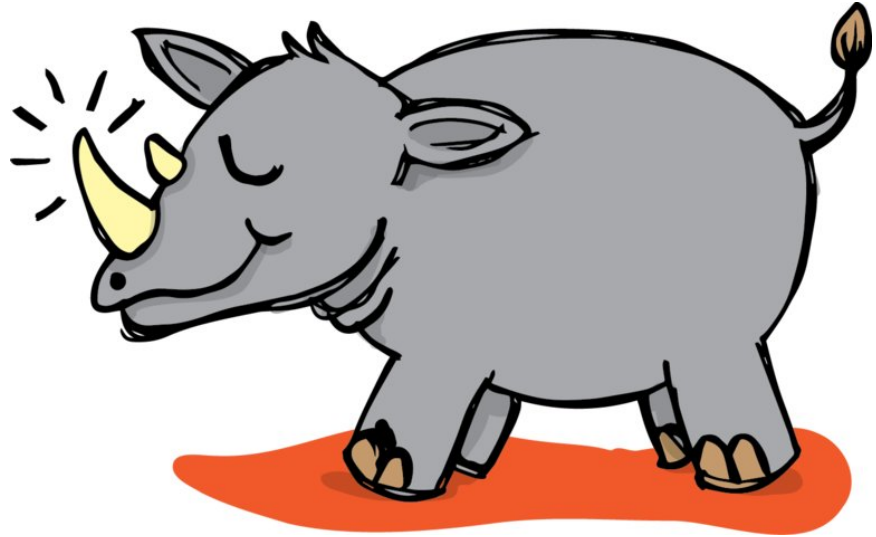




She was curious about Giraffe.

"Why do you have a long neck?" she asked.

She was curious about
Rhino.
"Why does your horn have
a sharp point?" she asked.



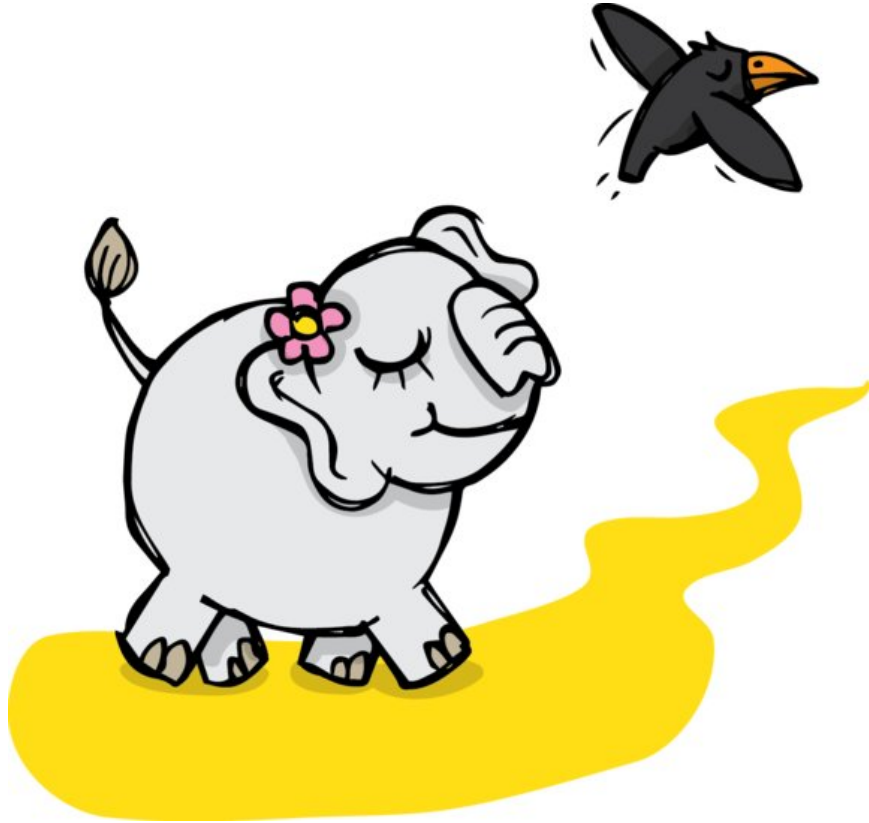
She was very curious about Crocodile.

"What do crocodiles eat for dinner?" she asked.



Clever Crow quickly said,
"Follow me to the river.
There you will see what
crocodiles eat for dinner."

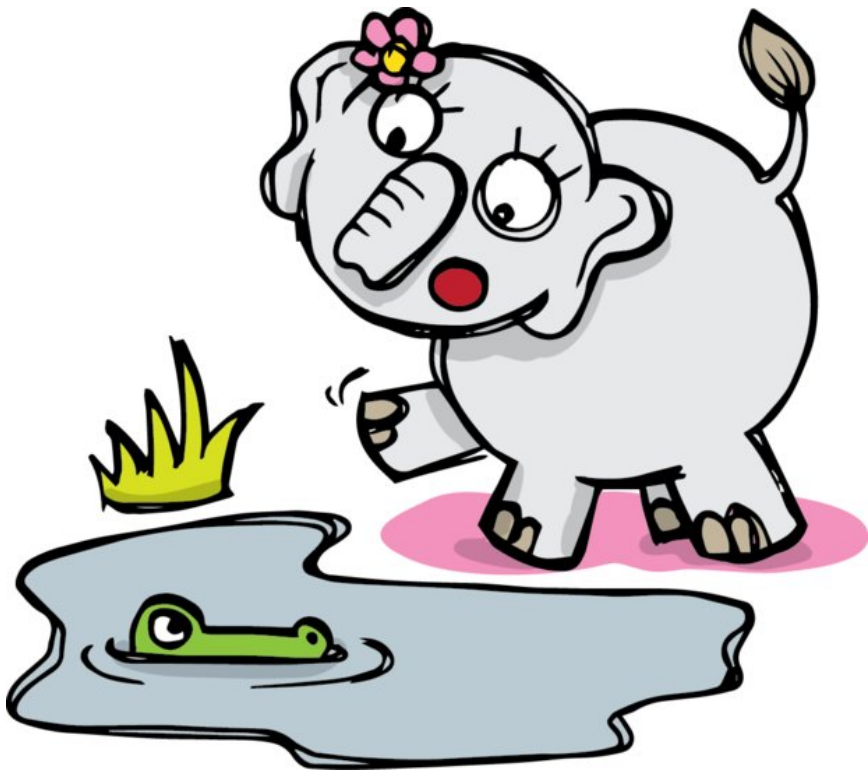




So Baby Elephant followed
Crow to the river.

She pushed through the reeds and stood on the bank.
She looked into the water.
Where was Crocodile?





"Hello," said a stone near
the river bank.

"Hello," said Baby Elephant.

"Can you tell me what
crocodiles eat for dinner?"
she asked.

"Come closer and I will tell
you," said the stone.
Baby Elephant bent down.

"Come closer," said the
stone.
Baby Elephant bent down
lower.





Suddenly! Snap!

Crocodile grabbed Baby Elephant's nose in his jaws.

Baby Elephant sat back on
her strong legs and pulled.
And pulled, and pulled.

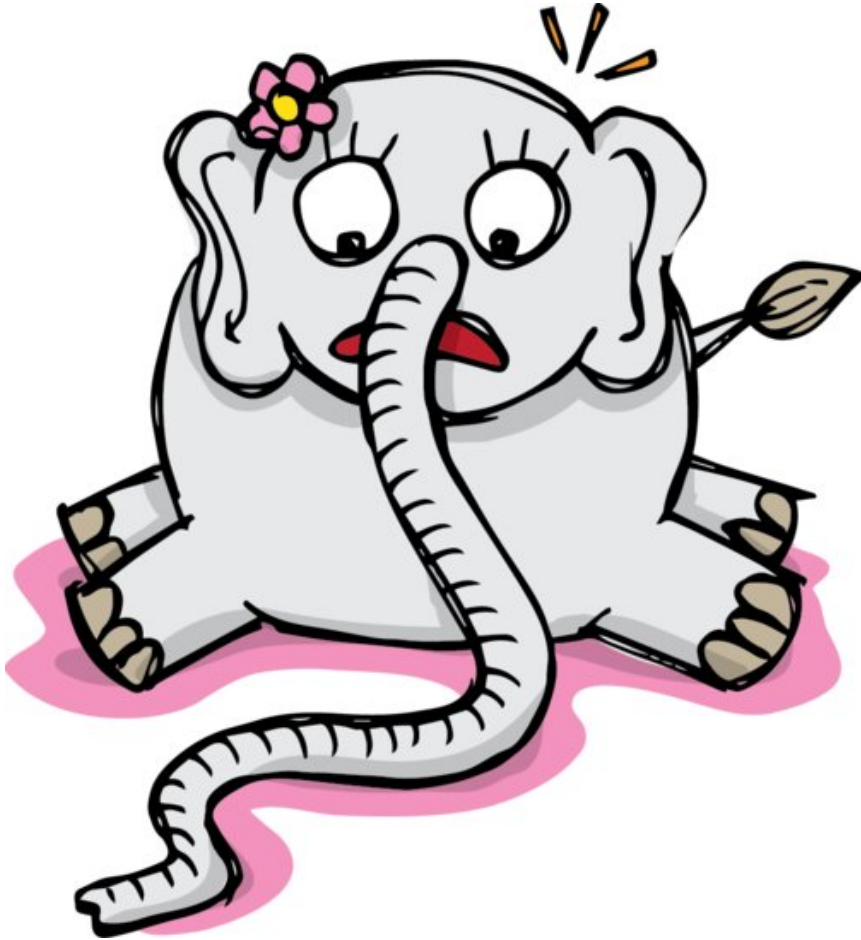
But Crocodile did not let go
of her nose.





Baby Elephant's nose stretched and stretched. And stretched.

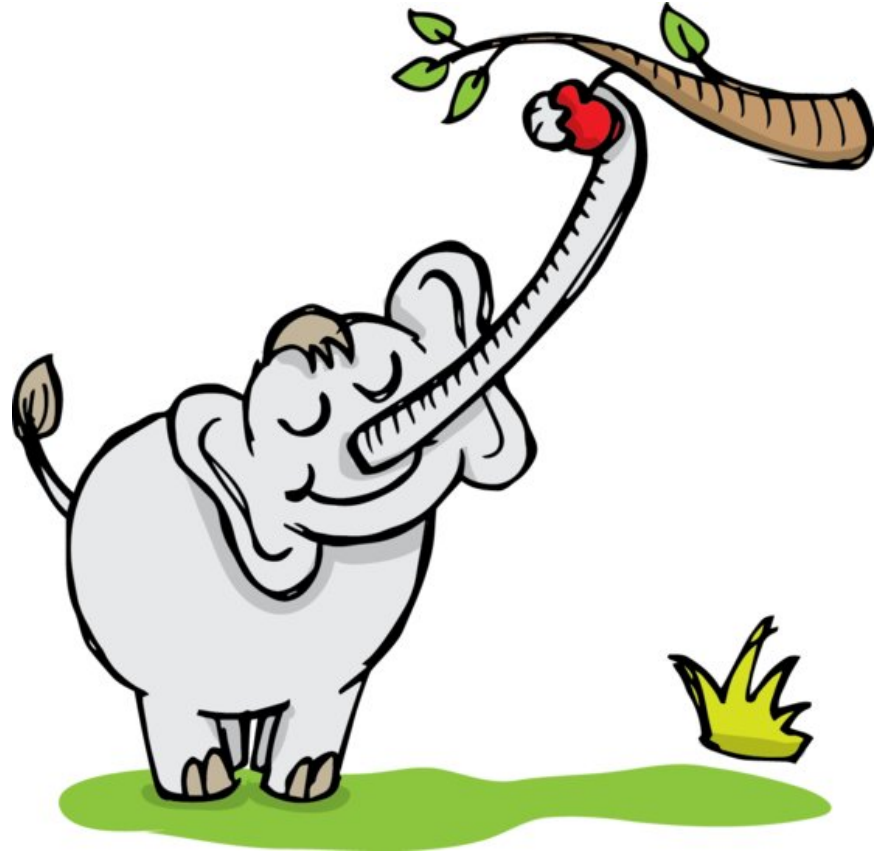
Until she fell over.
"Dufff!!"



Baby Elephant's short nose had stretched into a long nose.

Her nose was so long she
could pick fruit from high
branches.

And to this day, all
elephants have long and
useful trunks.



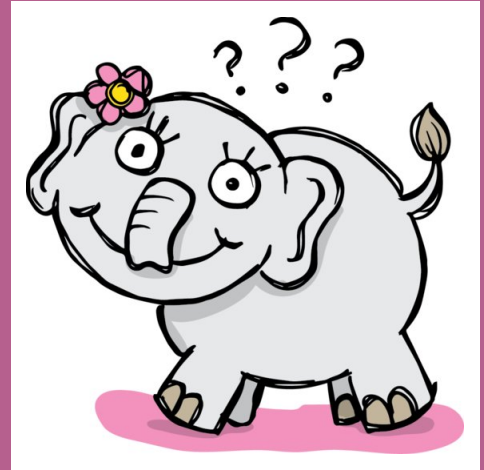
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