



Unit 4

Animals Around Us



You will learn about

- ❖ Animals and their homes
- ❖ Domestic and wild animals
- ❖ Young ones of animals

Domestic Animals - Farm Animals



Chicku and Ticku are two little sparrows. One day.....



Chicku was very excited. She flew from the nest on a journey into the world of animals.

Animals are of different kinds. Some live with us in our farms and homes (domestic animals), some live in the forest (wild animals) and some in water.



Observe the farmer's house. What animals do you see?



These animals are found in and around our homes. We take care of them and they help us in several ways. Such animals are called domestic animals. Some domestic animals help us in our farm work. They are called farm animals.

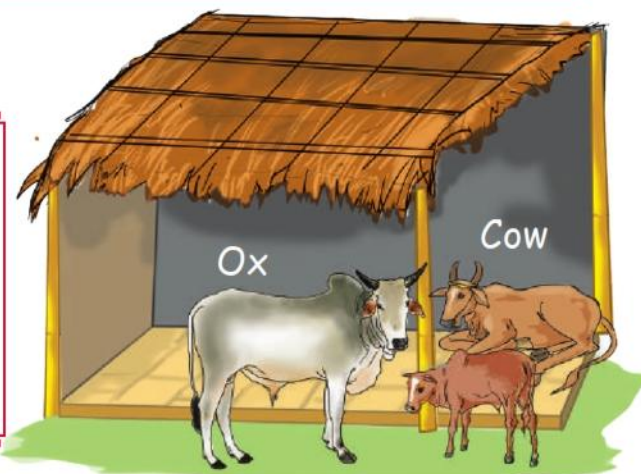
Chicku saw the farm and the farm animals. She introduced herself and spoke to the animals.



"I am a sparrow. My name is Chicku".

Ox: "Hello Chicku! I help to plough the farm".

Cow: "I give milk and my dung is used as manure and fuel. The farmer provides us a home called a **shed**. My young one is called a **calf**".





"Hello Chicku! I am a **horse**. People use me to pull carts and for riding. They take care of me. My home is called a **stable**. This is my **young one** - a **foal**.

Do you know? I can sleep both lying down and standing up".



"Hello Chicku! I am a **donkey**. I am grey in colour. People use me to carry loads. This is my **young one** - a **foal**. My **home** is a **stable**".

Connect the animals to their homes and young ones by drawing lines.



Stable



Shed



Domestic Animals



Some domestic animals give us food items like milk, eggs, meat and honey; some give us wool and leather.



"Hello Chicku! I am a **goat**. My **young one** is a **kid**. My **home** is a **shed**.

People rear us for our milk and meat. They take us to graze".



"Hello Chicku! I am a **sheep**.

My **home** is a **shed**.

My **young one** is a **lamb**.

I give wool. People use wool to make sweaters, gloves and shawls. It keeps them warm".



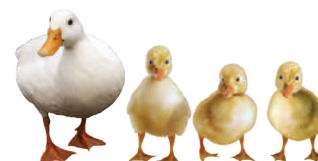
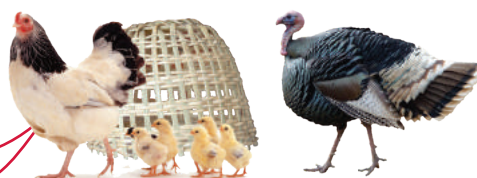
"Hello Chicku! We are **honey bees**.

Our **home** is a **beehive**.

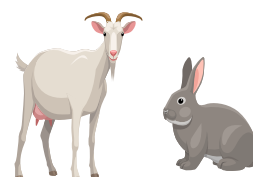
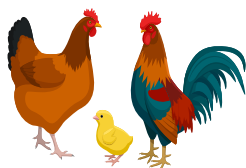
We live together in large numbers. We make honey from flowers".

"Hello Chicku, I am a **hen**.

My **home** is called a **coop**. My **young one** is a **chick**. We are reared for our eggs and meat. Turkeys and ducks are also reared for their eggs and meat".



Chicku said, "I feel happy to have met all of you. Thank you and goodbye". She then flew away.



Name the young ones.



Domestic Animals - Pet Animals



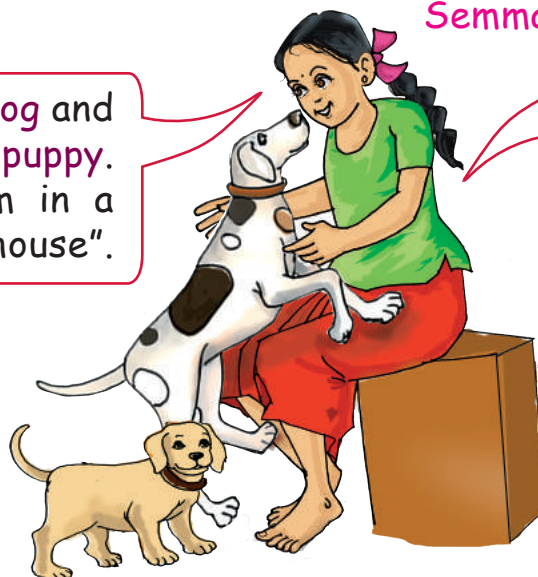
Some domestic animals live with us and share our lives. They are called pet animals.

On the way to the forest, Chicku saw Surabhi and Semmalar with their pet animals.



Surabhi

"This is my **cat** and these are her **kittens**. They live in our **home**".



Semmalar

"This is my **dog** and this is its **puppy**. I keep them in a **kennel** in my house".

"I love my pets very much. I feed them and play with them. They love me too. My dogs wag their tails when they see me. I take them to their doctor to keep them healthy".



Do you have pet animals?

Talk about them with your teacher / friends.



Kinds of pet animals

Their names

Food that you give them

The way you take care of them

Fill in the blanks.



Sankar has two _____ and
three _____.

So Sankar has _____ pets in all.

Wild Animals



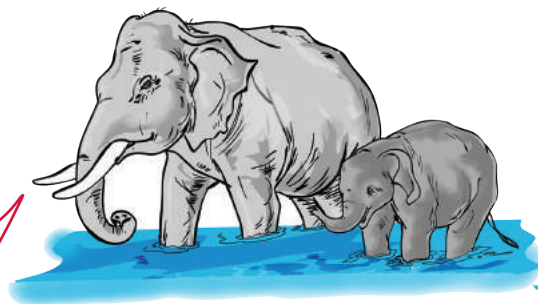
Chicku then entered a forest.

The forest is the home of wild animals.



"I am Chicku, a sparrow. May I know about you?"

"Hello Chicku! I am an
elephant. I love to play in
the water. This is my **young**
one, a **calf**".



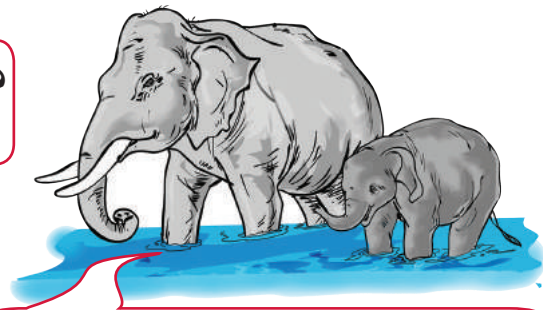
The elephant has a long trunk and big ears.
Asian male elephants have tusks. Tusks are a
modified form of teeth.

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"Oh, what is this sound?
It makes me afraid".



"It is the roar of the lion.
The lion's **home** is called a
den. Male lions have a mane".



"**Lions** and **tigers** live in the
forest. Their **young ones** are
called **cubs**".



"The **tiger's home** is called
a lair. Tigers have black
stripes on their body.
Some tigers are white in
colour".



Chicku thanked the elephant and flew out of the forest.

Animal Facts

Snail



The Slowest Animal

Giraffe

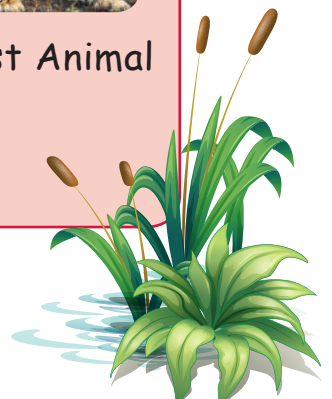


The Tallest Animal

Cheetah



The Fastest Animal



Choose the right word and fill in the blanks.

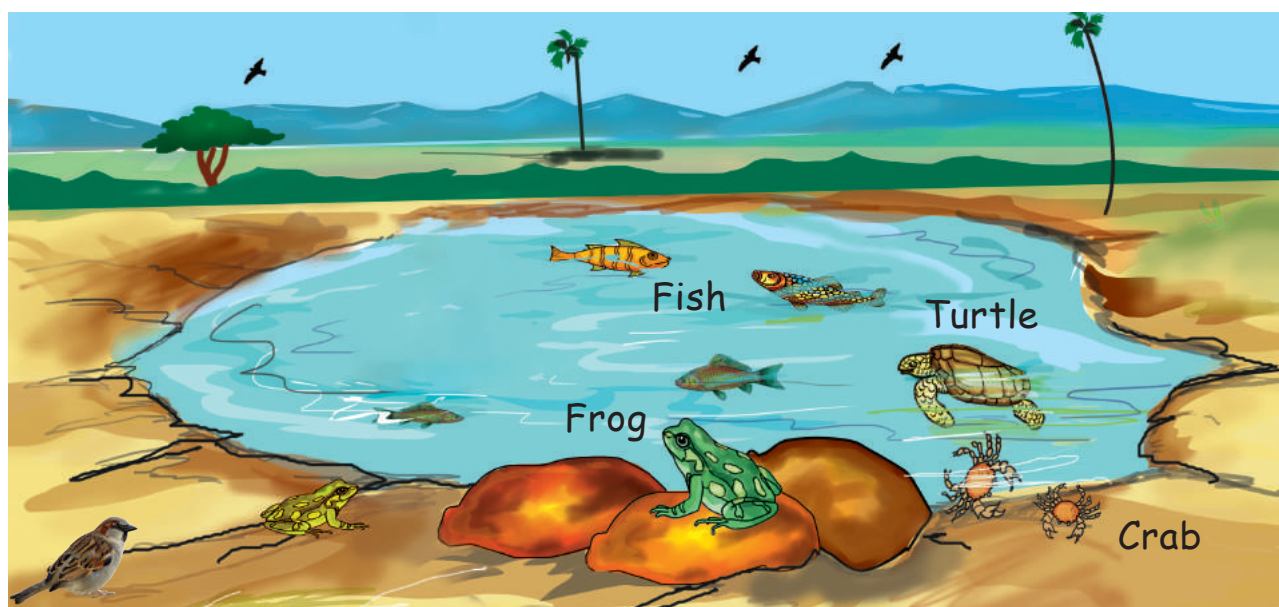


- a. Elephants have a _____.
(stripe / trunk)
- b. _____ are modified form of
teeth. (Tusks / Trunks)
- c. They have _____ eyes and
_____ ears. (small / large)

Water Animals



On the way back to her nest, Chicku saw a pond and some animals in and around it.



Chicku saw some fish, frogs, a turtle and crabs. Frog, crab and turtle live both on land and in water.

**DO
YOU
KNOW?**

The young one of a fish is called a fingerling and the young one of a frog is a tadpole.



Birds and Nests

Chicku also saw some birds and their nests.

Each bird's **nest** looks different. Birds use sticks, thorns, cotton and fibre to build their nests. Some birds such as the woodpecker, owl and parrot live in the **holes** in the tree trunks called **hollows**.



Weaver Bird



Crow



Owl



Parrot

DO YOU KNOW?

The cuckoo does not build a nest. It lays its eggs in the nests of other birds.



Chicku reached home. Ticku and mother were happy to see Chicku. Chicku spoke about her experiences in the animal world.

Select the odd one and put a cross (x) mark in the box.



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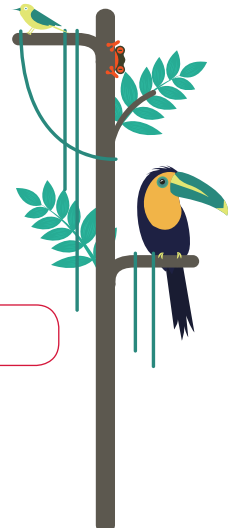
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Evaluation



1. Connect the animals to their homes by drawing lines.

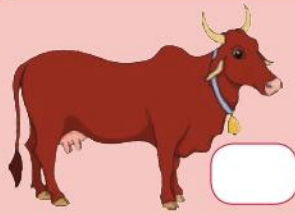


2. Are the animals in their homes?
Put a (✓) mark if they are and a (x) mark if they are not.





3. Write 'D' for the domestic animals and 'W' for the wild animals.



4. Connect the animals to their young ones and their homes by drawing lines.

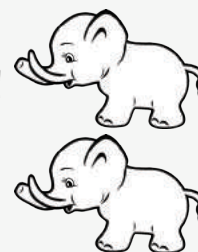


5. Write '1' for the animals that live only in water.
Write '2' for the animals that live only on land.
Write '3' for the animals that live both on land and in water.



Self Evaluation

- ◆ I know about the various habitats and young ones of animals
- ◆ I care for the animals around me





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