



ANIMALS IN THE WILD

Lesson Objectives

- Students will practice talking about their favorite and least favorite wild animals.
- Students will give reasons why they like or dislike certain animals.

Target Language

- Asking and answering questions:
 - Do you like...?
 - Why/why not?
 - What does it eat?
 - Does it eat grass?

Vocabulary

- Animals: penguin, panda, lion, elephant, monkey, giraffe
- Descriptions: spots, stripes, horns, big, fast
- Actions: jump, climb, run

Sad News

1. **Global Shark Deaths:** It's estimated that around 80 million sharks are killed annually, with 25 million of those being threatened species. This includes deaths from overfishing, bycatch, and finning.
2. **African Elephants:** Approximately 9,200 elephant deaths were recorded in Kenya over 26 years, with the majority due to natural causes, poaching, and human-elephant conflict.
3. **Sri Lankan Elephants:** In Sri Lanka, around 150 elephants died in the first quarter of 2024 alone, with nearly half due to human causes such as electrocution and shooting.
4. Whilst trying to protect wildlife, almost 2 rangers are killed per week.
5. Every 24 hours 1 rhino is killed.
6. Illegal wildlife trafficking in Brazil is a significant issue, with millions of animals being trafficked each year. According to reports, around 38 million wild animals are removed from Brazilian natural habitats annually. However, only about 4 million of these animals end up being sold.
7. China is the largest importer of illegal wildlife and animal products.

Discussion Questions

- What's your favorite wild animal? Why do you like it?
- What's an animal you don't like? Why don't you like it?
- What can we do to help protect animals?