Editor in Chief® Level 2 Mini Review

Read the passage and correct the errors. There are no errors in the picture or caption.

30. Do Elephants Mourn?

Do elephants mourn the loss of other elephants? Alot of scientists have wondered about this. It's a question that has no definitely answer but fascinating behaviors have been observed. There are documented cases of elephants gathering around the body of a deceased, elephant and staying with it for as long as a weak to protect it from scavengers. Seeing the remains of an tusk has prompted some elephants to stop, pick the tusk up with their trunks, caress it and then pass it among themselfs. Some elephants' have been observed trying to pick up a fallen and wounded elephant with their trunks in an attempt to help the fallen elephant to its feet again. Perhaps we will never no if elephants mourn but it is a well question to ponder. What do ewe think?

(1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) Spelling
(1) (2) (2) (3) (4) Article
(1) (2) (3) (4) Conjunction



Certain behaviors suggest that elephants may have emotions similar to our own. Scientists have observed some elephants using their trunks to help lift fallen and wounded elephants.

Optional: Use another piece of paper to rewrite the passage without errors.

Answers

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Do elephants mourn the loss of other elephants? **A lot**¹ of scientists have wondered about this. It's a question that has no **definite**² **answer**, **but**³ fascinating behaviors have been observed. There are documented cases of elephants gathering around the body of a deceased **elephant**⁴ and staying with it for as long as a **week**⁵ to protect it from scavengers. Seeing the remains of **a**⁶ tusk has prompted some elephants to stop, pick the tusk up with their trunks, caress **it**,⁷ and then pass it among **themselves**⁸. Some **elephants**⁹ have been observed trying to pick up a fallen and wounded elephant with their trunks in an attempt to help the fallen elephant to its feet again. Perhaps we will never **know**¹⁰ if elephants **mourn**, **but**¹¹ it is a **good**¹² question to ponder. What do **you**¹³ think?

- 1. A lot Spelling: A lot is two words.
- 2. definite Adjective: Use an adjective to describe what kind of answer.
- answer, but Conjunction: When a coordinating conjunction joins two independent clauses, or main clauses, it should be preceded by comma unless the independent clauses are short and closely related.
- 4. elephant Conjunction: When a dependent clause beginning with a subordinating conjunction follows an independent clause, no comma is required.
- 5. week Spelling: (homophone) week means 7 days; weak means not strong
- 6. a Article: Use **a** before a word that begins with a consonant sound.
- 7. it, Coordinating conjunction: When a coordinating conjunction joins two independent clauses, or main clauses, it should be preceded by a comma unless the independent clauses are short and closely related.
- 8. themselves Spelling: The plural of themself is formed by changing the "f" to "v" and adding -es.
- 9. elephants Spelling: Do not use an apostrophe if a word is only plural.
- 10. know Spelling: (homophone) know means to understand; no is used to express denial
- 11. mourn, but Conjunction: When a coordinating conjunction joins two independent clauses, or main clauses, it should be preceded by comma unless the independent clauses are short and closely related.
- 12. good Adjective: Use an adjective to describe what kind of question.
- 13. you Spelling: (homophone) you refers to people; ewe means a female sheep