

Before You Read

Think Do you like animals? Do animals have friends?

Learn Predicting from Pictures

Remember, before you read, look at the pictures.
They can help you work out what the story is about.

Look at the pictures. Guess what the stories are about.
Check (✓).

1



☒ a happy boy

☐ a sad boy

☐ a lonely boy

I think it's about a happy boy.



2

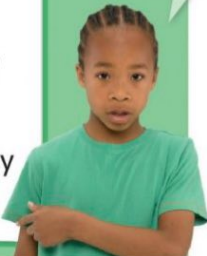


☐ a scared girl

☐ a lonely girl

☐ a hungry girl

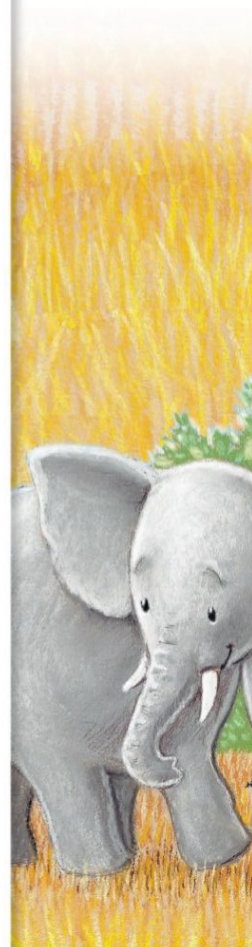
I think it's about ...



D Look at the pictures on pages 18 and 19.
Guess what the story is about.

Elliot's New Friend

In this story,
an elephant
called Elliot makes
a new friend.



Elliot's New Friend



Elliot is **sad** and **lonely**.
He sees a **tortoise**.

"Hello, I'm Tuti."

"I'm Elliot. I can't find my family."

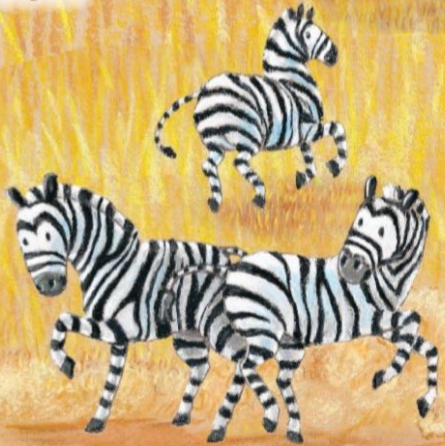
"Let's look."



"Look! Is that your family?"

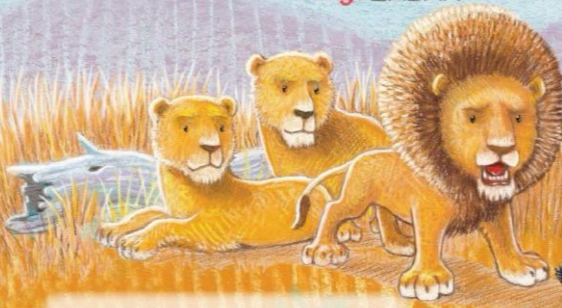
"No! Those are zebras."

The zebras are **scared**. They run away.



Elliot and Tuti **eat**, **play**, and **sleep**.





"Look! Is that your family?"

"No! Those are lions."

Elliot and Tuti are scared.
They run away.



"Look! Elephants."

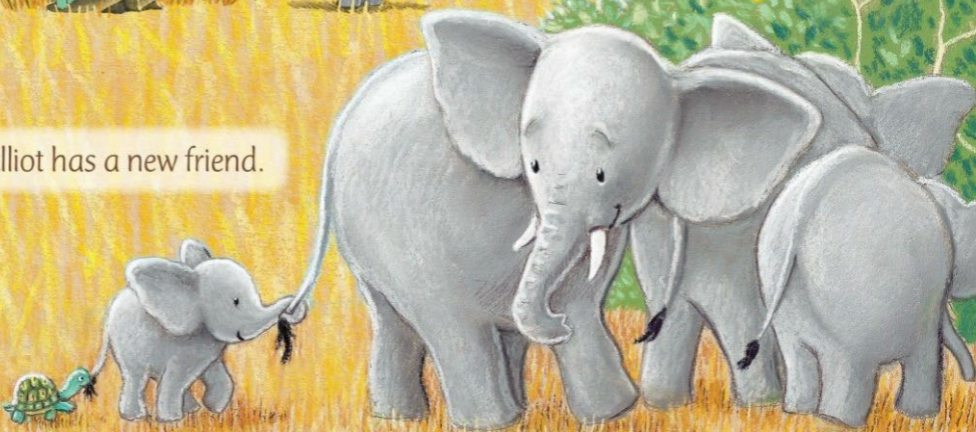
"I'm an elephant. That's my family."

"YES!"

"Thanks, Tuti."



Elliot has a new friend.



- A** Before you read, look at the pictures. What do you think the story is about? Check (✓) one answer.

1 ☐ My pet tortoise

2 ☐ Friends

3 ☐ Baby elephants

- B** Read the story. Were you right?

The New Friend

Toby and Tiny are tortoises. They are brothers. They eat and play together.



But, one day, Toby can't find Tiny. He is sad and scared.

He sees an elephant. "I can't find my brother," says Toby.

The elephant is big. She looks and looks. She can see a tortoise!
"Is that your brother?" she asks.



"YES!" says Toby. "Thank you!"

Now Toby and Tiny have a new friend, Elsie the elephant. They all play together.

