These are gazelles. They are wild animals. This means that they find their own food. People do not take them to new grass. They are very fast animals. A new baby gazelle cannot walk at all. After one or two days it can jump. When it is 10 days old it can leap at 40 kph. That is faster than a man can run. An adult gazelle leaps across the desert at more than 60 kph. It is faster than a snow leopard.

The snow leopard

(length) 100–130 cms
(tail length) 80–100 cms
– thick and strong for balance
(height at shoulder) 120 cms

longer, stronger back legs for jumping forwards quickly

There are 4,000 – 7,000 snow leopards in the world. About 1,000 live in the mountains of the Gobi desert. They hunt alone for wild sheep and goats. They hide among the rocks and small bushes. Snow leopards never attack people. In winter the snow lies deep and the snow leopard’s light grey fur helps it to hide. In the past, men hunted snow leopards for their beautiful fur but now these animals are protected.
Questions!

1) What is the writing about?
☐ space  ☐ desert animals  ☐ wild animals  ☐ cheese

2) What does wild animal mean?
☐ Animals that can run very fast.
☐ Animals that find their own food.
☐ Animals that like to party.

3) What adjective describes the gazelle? ________________________________

4) How fast can a baby gazelle leap? ________________kph

5) A baby gazelle is ________________________________ than a man.
   ☐ faster  ☐ slower

6) How long is a snow leopard’s tail? _____________________cm

7) How many snow leopards live in the Gobi Desert?
   ___________________________________________________________

8) What animals do snow leopards hunt?
   ___________________________________________________________

9) Do snow leopards attack people?
   ☐ Yes, they do.  ☐ No, they don’t.

10) Why does the snow leopard’s fur help it to hide?
    ☐ Because the fur is the same colour as the snow.
    ☐ Because the fur makes it look like a plant.
    ☐ Because the fur is magic.
11) Would you choose a gazelle or a snow leopard as a pet?

I would choose a ____________________ because ________________________________

__________________________________________________________________________

12) Match the descriptions to the correct animal.

It cannot walk at all for the first 2 days.

There are 4000 - 7000 snow leopards in the world.

They can leap at 60 Kph.

They are very fast animals.

They hunt alone.

Now they are protected.
Plural Nouns (ending with f / fe)

Sentence building

Rule
If a noun ends with f (or fe) we change the f (or fe) to v and add es to make it plural.

one wolf  two wolves  one knife  two knives

Remember! Singular means one. Plural means more than one.

1 Complete each sentence with the correct plural.

1 There were some __________ (wolf) in the mountains.

2 The books are on the __________ (shelf) .

3 The __________ (knife) were very sharp.

4 I cut the apple into two __________ (half) .
Grammar

Comparisons

1. Look at the picture.

2. Write sentences like the example.
   1. tree – tall  The tree is as tall as the house.

   2. clown’s hat – small

   3. monkey’s car – old

   4. clown – tall

   5. clown’s flower – big

3. Write sentences like the example.
   1. elephant – big – mouse  An elephant is bigger than a mouse.

   2. lion – strong – goat

   3. horse – fast – sheep

   4. giraffe – tall – zebra