

## Think and Search: Kris Q'Lumbus Practice Activities

### Just Like Home: The Elephant Sanctuary

Asian and African elephants have a place to call home outside the zoo or circus. The Elephant Sanctuary is in Hohenwald, Tennessee. Elephants who are old or have special needs are cared for and protected at the sanctuary. They can graze green pastures, bathe in the pond, and explore forests just like in their natural habitat. A heated barn keeps elephants warm in the winter.

The Elephant Sanctuary is much like life in the wild for the elephants. In the wild, Asian and African elephants don't live side by side. They each have their own habitats at the sanctuary, too. The sanctuary also has only female elephants, since males and females live apart from each other in the wild.

A new education gallery is being built in downtown Hohenwald. Visitors will be able to see the elephants up close through special video cameras called "ele-cams."

### Before You Read:

Consider what you've learned about "In the Book: Think and Search" questions from the video. Remember, these types of questions are directly stated within the text.

What are the signal words stated in the "In the Book: Think and Search" questions that will help you locate the information to answer them?

Think about how you will use this QA4 strategy to answer questions about what you read.

### Please read the story and answer the following questions:

1. Where is the elephant sanctuary?
2. How is the Elephant Sanctuary like life in the wild?

Compare your answers and thought process with **Hasan's Think Aloud**.

### Up and Away! How Hot Air Balloons Work

Hot air balloons become airborne, and glide gracefully through the air. Have you ever wondered how they work?

There are three basic parts to a hot air balloon. The envelope is the brightly colored fabric bag. The burner has a large flame, and is located above the heads of the riders. The basket carries the riders.

Hot air balloons rise when the pilot fills the envelope with hot air from the flame of the burner. The balloon descends when the air inside the envelope cools. Wind speed determines how fast or slow the balloon will move along. Hot air balloons are an amazing example of a basic science principle. Hot air rises and cold air sinks!

### Please read the story and answer the following questions:

1. Does hot air rise or sink?
2. What are the three basic parts of a hot air balloon?

Compare your answers and thought process with **Raina's Think Aloud**.