

Rosa's Animal Adventure: Spanish Vocabulary

Learning objective: To identify and use Spanish vocabulary for common animals and describe their characteristics using basic adjectives.

Read the questions carefully. Use the word bank to help you answer in Spanish, ensuring you use the correct articles (el/la) where appropriate.

Rosa the parrot has travelled across Spain and has made many new animal friends. Help her complete her travel journal by answering the questions below.

Word bank: el perro (dog) · el gato (cat) · el elefante (elephant) · el león (lion) · el pájaro (bird) · la tortuga (tortoise) · grande (big) · pequeño (small) · rápido (fast) · lento (slow)

1. Rosa sees a very large animal at the zoo. Write the Spanish name for 'the elephant' and add the adjective for 'big'. (2 marks)

2. Rosa meets a pet that is known for being 'slow'. Write the Spanish name for 'the tortoise' and the adjective 'slow'. (2 marks)

3. If you wanted to describe a 'small cat' in Spanish, what two words would you use? (2 marks)

4. Translate this sentence into English: 'El león es grande.' (2 marks)

5. Which Spanish word from our list would you use to describe a bird that flies very quickly? Use the word in a short sentence. (3 marks)

Draw: Draw your favourite animal from the list and label it in Spanish. Below your drawing, write one sentence in Spanish describing if it is big, small, fast, or slow.



Extension challenge: Research one more animal in Spanish that is not on our list. Write its name and one adjective to describe it.