

## Growing Up with Ellie the Elephant

*Learning objective: To understand the stages of human growth and identify ways children become more independent as they grow.*

Ellie the Elephant is looking through her photo album! She remembers how she grew from a tiny calf into a big, strong elephant. Look at the life stages below. Your task is to sequence the stages of human growth by numbering them 1 to 4, starting from being a brand new baby and ending as an adult.

*Word bank: Baby · Toddler · Child · Adult*

**1. 1. Look at the stages: A person who has just been born. Which word from our word bank is this? (1 mark)**

**2. 2. When you were a baby, you needed help with everything. What is one thing you can do all by yourself now that you are older? (2 marks)**

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**3. 3. If a baby needs a new toy that costs £2, and you have £5, do you have enough money to buy it? How do you know? (2 marks)**

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**4. 4. How does your body change when you grow from a toddler to a child? (Think about your height or your clothes). (2 marks)**

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**5. 5. Why is it important to be kind to people who are at different stages of growing up? (2 marks)**

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**Draw:** Draw a picture of yourself doing something you are proud of now that you are growing up, such as tying your own shoelaces, reading a book, or helping a friend.

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for a student to draw a picture of themselves doing something they are proud of.

*Extension challenge: Ask a grown-up at home to show you a photo of yourself when you were a baby. Talk about two things you can do now that you could not do in that photo.*