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Class: _____ Date: _____

Posters: Watch Out for Landmines!

An extension of "Crippled elephant gets new leg"

In the August issue of *What's Up*, you will find an inspiring story about injured elephants that are being helped by a hospital. The hospital was set up just for these gentle giants. The elephants there were hurt when they stepped on landmines buried in the ground during past wars. Landmines are cruel weapons that kill and maim many children and animals every year in countries such as Vietnam and Cambodia.

Young children are particularly vulnerable to landmines in such places. Even if there are posters to warn them, young children may not notice the signs or be able to read them. Often those who can read may not understand how dangerous the landmines are.

If you were in charge of warning young children about landmines, how would you make sure they respond to your message?

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Read "**Crippled elephant gets new leg**" (*What's Up* August 2016, page 16).
2. Learn more about land mines by visiting this link:
▶ <https://www.un.org/disarmament/convarms/landmines/>
3. Work in groups of two or three to produce a poster that creates an awareness of land mines and its dangers. Your poster should warn young children about land mines in an area of your choice. Bear in mind that many young children may not be able to read well yet. Your posters must, therefore, use bright pictures and easy words. Use a bold design with attractive illustrations to grab their attention.
4. Display the posters to form a gallery in a common corridor at school. Invite other classes to view your posters. Better still, ask your classmates and friends to give you feedback about what they like about your poster as well as how you might improve it.