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The Animal in You

An extension of "Humans and other animals"

Animals play an important role in the lives of humans — both in supporting our livelihoods and as pets and companions. Read **"Humans and other animals"** (page 12-13, *What's Up* July 2018). Enjoy the amazing pictures of animals and humans together. Several languages use characteristics of certain animals to describe human traits in a more colourful way. These are called similes in English.

INSTRUCTIONS

In the table below are given some human traits or characteristics. In the next column, write the name of the animal most often used to describe each trait. Then, write the whole simile using that animal and trait.

	Trait	Animal	Simile
	<i>busy</i>	<i>bee</i>	<i>As busy as a bee</i>
1	blind		
2	brave		
3	free		
4	hungry		
5	proud		
6	gentle		
7	sly		
8	strong		
9	wise		
10	stubborn		
11	slippery		
12	sick		
13	quiet		
14	tall		
15	naked		
16	lame		
17	happy		
18	dead		

1. Think of at least three of your own personal traits. On the back of this handout, draw an animal — real or imaginary — that displays these traits. Explain how the features of the animal describe your personal traits.