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Class: _____ Date: _____

Caring for Animals Around Us

An activity of "Giving rescued elephants a home and a family".

Elephants are intelligent and sentient creatures that can feel, remember, and empathise. When abused, they get emotional scars that need to heal. Saengduean Lek Chailert rescues abused elephants and gives them a safe place to stay. Read "Giving rescued elephants a home and a family" (page 6, *What's Up* September 2025) to find out more.

ON YOUR OWN

A. Using the *What's Up* story, list Ms Saengduean's rescue efforts, what the rescued elephants needed, and how the Elephant Nature Park operates.

What Ms Saengduean did to rescue the elephants
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ ◆ ◆

What the rescued elephants needed
<ul style="list-style-type: none">◆ ◆ ◆

How Elephant Nature Park operates

◆ How it is funded: _____

◆ What the visitors do: _____

◆ Types of animals it rescues: _____

IN GROUPS

A community animal is cared for by the community in a neighbourhood rather than a single owner. Some community animals may have been abandoned by their owners. Just as pets do, community animals have basic needs such as food, water, and shelter. They also need protection from abuse.

B. Form five groups. Pick one of these topics for each group. Work with your group to prepare a short presentation of it. You may use the suggested online resources supported by AVS (Singapore's Animal and Veterinary Service) or other readings to help you.

Group 1 - How to feed community dogs responsibly

Resource: "Feeding stray dogs responsibly" by AVS

[https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/-/media/avs_-feeding-stray-dogs-booklet-\(eng\).pdf](https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/-/media/avs_-feeding-stray-dogs-booklet-(eng).pdf)

Group 2 - How to care for community cats

Resource: "Community cats caregiving guidelines" by AVS

<https://www.nparks.gov.sg/-/media/avs/cat-management-framework/avs-handbook-for-cat-caregiving-guidelines.pdf>

Group 3 - What to consider when adopting an abandoned dog

Group 4 - What to consider when adopting an abandoned rabbit

Group 5 - What to consider when adopting an abandoned parrot

Resource for Groups 3, 4, and 5: "Adopting community animals" by AVS

<https://www.nparks.gov.sg/avs/animals/animal-management/adopting-a-community-animal/adopting-a-community-animal>.

WHOLE CLASS

C. Have each group present to the class. Discuss how this valuable information can be shared with others as well.