

GIRAFFE IS TOO TALL FOR THIS BOOK

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ACTIVITY GUIDE

Furry, feathered, and scaled—all our animal friends are ready to read.
But there's just one big problem: Giraffe is too tall!

(Or, rather, the book is too short.)

Come along for a special story time featuring six friendly animals and one puzzling predicament. Bright speech bubbles encourage readers to take an active role and find creative solutions as this wild squad works together to save story time.

Using their bodies and minds, the animals persevere through a hilarious adventure, revealing that sometimes it's not ourselves we need to change—it's the book!

DK RYLAND loves to draw animals and nature and enjoys writing books that make kids laugh. Before she started writing for kids, DK earned a film degree and spent time filming wildlife in South Africa. She also works as an online teacher and curriculum writer, composing curriculum-aligned teaching guides for picture books. When not writing and illustrating, you can find DK going on adventures with her husband and two kids, visiting the giraffes at the San Diego Safari Park, playing sports, or reading a book – while petting a cat or a dog. Giraffe Is Too Tall for This Book is her first picture book. Visit her at www.DKRyland.com.

WHICH ANIMAL IN THE BOOK...?

Is the smallest: _____

Is the tallest: _____

Is the widest: _____

Can fly: _____

Is the fastest: _____



DESCRIBE EACH OF THE ANIMALS FROM THE STORY IN A FEW WORDS:

Think about if the animal is tall or small, what color it is, if it has spots or stripes.







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HELP GIRAFFE AND HIS FRIENDS!

WORD SEARCH

G	M	H	K	F	N	G	A	Q	C
C	H	E	E	T	A	H	T	G	Z
C	D	C	N	V	T	M	P	G	R
Y	M	E	L	E	P	H	A	N	T
R	Z	G	I	R	A	F	F	E	S
M	Z	U	T	K	Y	Q	H	C	N
O	Y	O	E	G	O	C	K	Y	A
U	F	L	A	M	I	N	G	O	K
S	B	X	Q	K	V	T	Z	U	E
E	N	X	Z	F	I	M	D	U	P

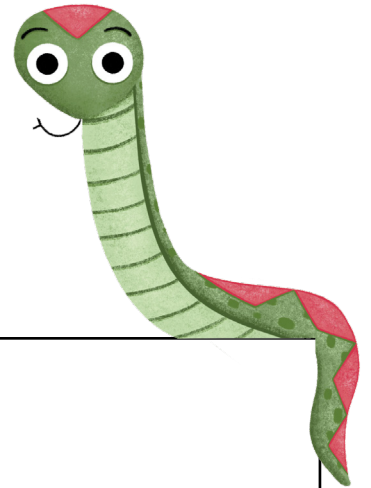
Elephant
Cheetah

Flamingo
Snake

Giraffe
Mouse



DO YOU HAVE A FAVORITE ANIMAL?



Draw and color that animal below.



WHAT MAKES YOU DIFFERENT?

In the story, Giraffe and his friends celebrate their differences.

What makes you unique? Write a few sentences and draw a picture of the thing that makes you **YOU!**



A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for drawing a picture related to the writing prompt.

GIRAFFE TRIVIA

1. Giraffes are the tallest mammal on earth. (circle one)

True or False

2. How tall is a newborn giraffe? (circle one)

a. 3 feet

c. 6 feet

b. 2 feet

d. 5 feet

3. How many hours of sleep a day does a giraffe need?
(circle one)

a. 30 minutes

c. 6 hours

b. 2 hours

d. 12 hours

4. Every Giraffe has the same pattern of spots. (circle one)

True or False

5. Giraffe is too tall for this book! (circle one)

True or False

ANSWERS: 1. True 2. c 6 feet 3. a 30 minutes 4. False

