



Interview with Zookeeper Mable McAllister

Lucy: Why did you want to become a zookeeper?

Zookeeper Mable: I always knew that I wanted to become a zookeeper when I grew up because I have always absolutely adored animals

and I had lots of pets when I was growing - from dogs to horses!

Lucy: What do Elephants eat?

Zookeeper Mable: Elephants enjoy eating grass, small plants, bushes, fruit, twigs, tree bark and roots. They can spend up to 18 hours a day feeding!! That is a long time isn't!!

Lucy: What can you tell me about baby elephants?

Zookeeper Mable: A baby elephant weighs about 91kg and is around 1 metre tall!

Lucy: How big are adult elephants?

Zookeeper Mable: An adult elephant can be as large as 6,500kg in weight and up to 6 and a half metres tall! They are the largest land mammals.

Lucy: what fun facts can you share with us about elephants?

- Elephant families are led by females.
- Wild elephants like to live in herds.
- Elephants do not need much sleep.
- They are emotional creatures.
- Their memory is super impressive!
- Elephants love a good shower!

