

PoemThese Gentle GiantsI Word Meanings:

1. Gentle - Kind and Calm
2. Roam - move around freely
3. Ancient - very old
4. Unshackled - Free

II Answer these questions.

1. Why does the poet call elephants 'gentle giants'?

Ans The elephants are big animals and the poet sees them as gentle creatures who do not harm others. So, he calls them 'gentle giants'.

2. Why are elephants not able to roam freely?

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Ans Elephants are not able to roam freely because forests are being cleared and the elephants are losing their home.

Book Activity

I Fill in the Blanks with words from the poem.

1. Elephants are friends of human beings.
2. Elephants need space to play, bathe and roam.
3. This land is their home because they have lived here since ancient times.
4. Trumpet is the call of an elephant.
5. Elephants should be allowed to roam around unshackled and free.

II Pick out two pairs of rhyming words from the poem. Write one more rhyming word of your own.

1. Roam home foam

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2. man Can fan

III Match the animals with the sounds they make.

1. bears 1. growl

2. geese 2. honk

3. bats 3. screech

4. monkeys 4. chatter

5. Parrots 5. Squawk