

Learning Support

The Exterminator

1. Read these sentences and answer **Yes** or **No**.

A woman wanted to get rid of a mouse. _____

The ad in the phone book said: "No mouse too big." _____

Cleo the cat cost the husband and wife \$50. _____

Leo the lion got rid of the cat. _____

Jumbo the elephant got rid of the mouse. _____

The exterminator was too expensive. _____

2. Sometimes words sound the same, even though they are spelt differently and have different meanings. Read these sentences and rewrite them using the correct word in brackets.

The mouse (ate / eight) everything it could find.

(Their / There) was an ad in the phone book.

The ad said: "(Cheep / Cheap) rates for all."

The cat drank all (there / their) milk.



3. The sentence endings have been mixed up. Can you sort them out?

The mouse barked every night until dawn.

The cat knocked down walls.

The dog slept on their bed every night.

The lion ate everything it could find.

The elephant left hairs on their furniture.



4. Read down the list of words. Circle the words that rhyme with the word from the story. Read all the words. Look up the meaning of any word you don't know.



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| mouse | barked | cheap |
| house | baked | leap |
| horse | backed | heap |
| louse | marked | head |
| douse | larked | reap |

5. Here is a list of verbs used in the story. Name the animal that matches the verb.

- purred _____
- growled _____
- roared _____
- bellowed _____
- barked _____

