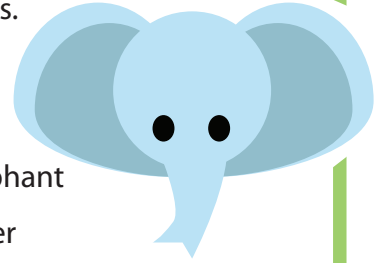


Identifying Key Ideas with Repeated Words and Phrases

Directions: Read the passages below and then complete the graphic organizers.

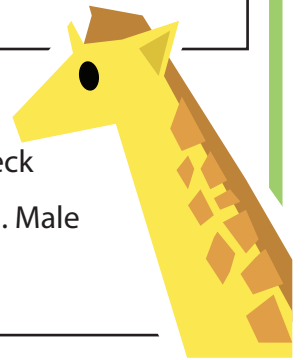
Possible Answers

Elephants are the largest living land mammals. The Asian Elephant, also known as the Indian Elephant, can weigh up to 11,000 pounds. The African Elephant is even bigger. It can weigh as much as 20,000 pounds. The largest elephant ever measured was 13 feet tall and weighed 24,000 pounds! Elephants are the largest animals found on land.



Question	Answer
What words and phrases are repeated?	elephant, largest, weigh
What is a key idea?	The elephant is <u>a very large animal that weighs a</u> <u>lot</u> .

Have you ever seen a giraffe at the zoo? Giraffes are the tallest animals in the world. The average height of a giraffe is 16-18 feet tall. This animal has a very long neck and legs. Giraffes eat the leaves from tall trees. Other animals cannot reach that high. Male giraffes are even taller than female giraffes. They are the tallest animals in the world.



Question	Answer
What words and phrases are repeated?	giraffe, tall/taller/tallest
What is a key idea?	The giraffe is <u>a very tall animal and it is taller than</u> <u>all other animals</u> .