

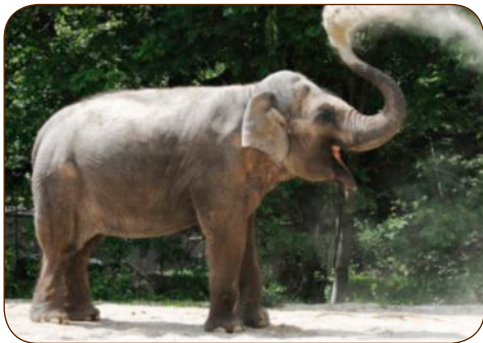
HOW DO ANIMALS PROTECT THEIR SKIN?



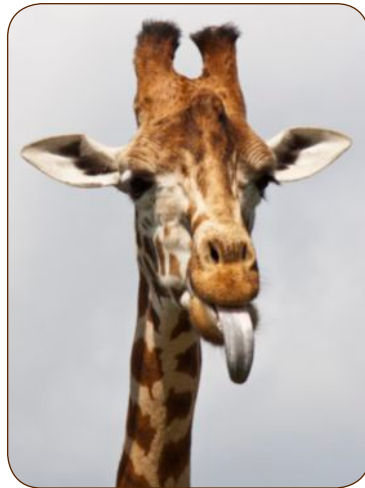
Meerkats have black rings around their eyes to absorb the sun's rays, protecting their eyes from sun damage.



The hippopotamus protects its skin by leaking a pink oil substance. This oil keeps the hippos' skin from drying out and protects them from the effects of the sun!



The first thing some elephants do when they get outside is cover their bodies in sand and soil. They do this to protect their skin from bug bites and also to prevent sunburn. Believe it or not, elephants can get a sunburn!



Giraffes have dark tongues which prevent it from getting sunburned while reaching up in the trees to eat!

Animals need protection from the sun too! But these animals don't wear sunscreen or sunglasses like we do. Check out how they protect their skin from the sun.



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