

Move the Elephant

TEAM Roles

- Elephant Handler (Leader)
 - Safety Engineer
 - Map Maker
 - Elephant Navigator
 - Ringmaster (Welcome's the Elephant)
 - Project Reporter
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- Step 1. Decide who will be the Elephant Handler (leader) of the team.
- Step 2. Ask the Ringmaster to explain the importance of proper planning to ensure the safety of the elephant and the people.
- Step 3. Determine the overall goal of the TEAM activity. Have the Project Reporter write it down.
- Step 4. Ask the Map Maker to draw a seven-inch square on a piece of paper.
- Step 5. Draw and label the following things within the seven-inch map.
- The circus tent is in the middle of the map.
The food concession is east (to the right) of the circus tent.
The parking lot is south of (below) the circus tent.
The trucks where the animals are kept are north of (above) the circus tent.
The entrance to the circus tent is on the south side.
The animal watering trough is west (to the left) of the circus tent.
A fence separates the parking lot on the south from the field on the west where the animal watering trough is placed.
- Step 6. Review the following important considerations.
- Elephants are always thirsty.
 - Elephants are always hungry.
 - Elephants always need to relieve themselves.
 - The truck where the elephant is kept is five feet off the ground. (How to get the elephant from the truck to the ground)?
 - Some people like to pet elephants.
 - Most people are afraid to get near big animals.
 - The only access to the tent is on the south side.
 - A fence is placed so that there is no access from the parking lot to the watering area west of the tent.

- Step 7. List three safety rules that must be followed to keep the people at the circus safe.
- Step 8. List three safety rules that must be followed to keep the elephant safe.
- Step 9. Mark with x x x x on the map, the route the elephant will take from the truck to the entrance of the tent.
- Step 10. Project reporter presents the team plan to move the elephant from the truck to the tent.

The report should include:

- Who became the leader in their group?
- How was leadership decided?
- How did the team function and cooperate?
- Were anyone's ideas blocked or put down?
- Did everyone get a chance to give ideas?
- What did they learn about themselves?
- Was there agreement or disagreement?
- What equipment, if any, will be needed to move the elephant?
- Description of the safety measures that will be necessary to move the elephant.
- Anticipated problems with the plan.
- The map.