**English**

**Year 1 Summer 1 Fiction Model Text**

**Why Elephant has a Trunk**

There was once a time when Elephant had no nose. He was big, clumsy and extremely smelly. ‘Jambo, Elephant,’ said the animals, as they grazed happily on the grasslands of Africa. ‘Jambo, everyone,’ replied Elephant. He was annoyed because there were so many flies buzzing noisily around him.

‘Do you know how to make flies go away?’ he asked. ‘Tell them to buzz off,’ advised the cheerful monkeys. Grumpy Elephant shouted loudly, ‘Buzz off, buzz off!’ but it didn’t work. So he plodded on, sadly, with heavy footsteps.

Elephant didn’t realise that he was smelly because he didn’t have a nose. When he met Chameleon, he ate the flies by catching them with his long, sticky tongue. Chameleon bravely told Elephant that he was quite smelly.

‘Have you ever thought of taking a bath?’ asked Tortoise, curiously. ‘You will be as fresh as a daisy.’

Then Elephant asked Hippo if he could take a bath in the waterhole. Just at that moment, an angry crocodile snapped his terrible jaws at Elephant and wouldn’t let him come in. However, later that night, Crocodile started pulling him into the waterhole!

‘Let me go!’ yelled Elephant. The animals grabbed onto his tail and were fiercely pulling him back to help him. Suddenly, a lovely long nose appeared!

‘Look at my nose…it’s long and wiggly,’ squealed Elephant. Elephant was overjoyed as he plucked juicy mangoes from tall trees, whacked the flies off his back and squirted water all over his muddy body.

‘I’m clean, I’m clean,’ he shouted happily and bellowed his trunk. After that, Elephant never felt unhappy again.