

## Animal articles

Work in groups of three. Decide which story each section belongs to (Story A or Story B). Then number the sections in the correct order (A1, A2, A3, etc.). Then complete the stories with the correct article *a*, *an*, *the* or *–* (no article).

	He gave <sup>1</sup> ..... snake herbal medicine until it was able to survive in <sup>2</sup> ..... wild again.
	But she didn't. In fact, she warned off one of <sup>3</sup> ..... other gorillas who tried to approach with <sup>4</sup> ..... loud growl.
<b>A1</b>	Binti Jua was <sup>5</sup> ..... gorilla that lived in <sup>6</sup> ..... Brookfield Zoo near Chicago. She was <sup>7</sup> ..... niece of <sup>8</sup> ..... very famous gorilla called Koko who had learnt to use sign language to communicate with <sup>9</sup> ..... humans.
	She picked up <sup>10</sup> ..... boy with <sup>11</sup> ..... same arm she used to pick up her own child and patted him on <sup>12</sup> ..... back.
	One night, he woke up when he felt Long Long on his face. He realised something was wrong when <sup>13</sup> ..... snake's teeth pulled at his clothes and its tail banged heavily against <sup>14</sup> ..... bed.
	One day at <sup>15</sup> ..... zoo in Chicago, Binti Jua saved <sup>16</sup> ..... life of <sup>17</sup> ..... young boy. <sup>18</sup> ..... three-year-old boy fell into the gorilla enclosure while visiting <sup>19</sup> ..... zoo and was knocked unconscious.
	<sup>20</sup> ..... man believed that <sup>21</sup> ..... animal had repaid his kindness by raising <sup>22</sup> ..... alarm and saving <sup>23</sup> ..... lives of the whole family.
	<sup>24</sup> ..... Chinese man found <sup>25</sup> ..... dying snake outside his home and decided to nurse it better.
	She grew up in <sup>26</sup> ..... zoo in California, but was moved to Chicago so she could be trained to be <sup>27</sup> ..... good mother.
<b>B1</b>	<sup>28</sup> ..... Snakes are not famous for being <sup>29</sup> ..... most intelligent animal in <sup>30</sup> ..... world, but here's <sup>31</sup> ..... story about <sup>32</sup> ..... snake that shows just how bright some animals may be.
	Then she carefully carried him over to <sup>33</sup> ..... entrance to <sup>34</sup> ..... enclosure, where one of <sup>35</sup> ..... zookeepers collected him.
	He discovered that <sup>36</sup> ..... electric blanket in <sup>37</sup> ..... another room in the house was on fire and was able to put <sup>38</sup> ..... fire out quickly.
	<sup>39</sup> ..... people who saw <sup>40</sup> ..... incident screamed with worry as Binti Jua walked over to <sup>41</sup> ..... boy. They expected her to hurt him.
	<sup>42</sup> ..... man tried to free <sup>43</sup> ..... snake twice more, but it returned both times. He decided to adopt <sup>44</sup> ..... snake as <sup>45</sup> ..... pet and gave it <sup>46</sup> ..... name Long Long.
	<sup>47</sup> ..... boy spent four days in <sup>48</sup> ..... hospital and recovered fully. Binti Jua's actions were <sup>49</sup> ..... great example of <sup>50</sup> ..... animal caring about others.
	When it was better, the man took it to <sup>51</sup> ..... nearby mountain and let it go, but <sup>52</sup> ..... next day, the snake was outside <sup>53</sup> ..... house again.