

What would you do if you saw a bear?

I'd run away.

9A What would you do?

1 READING & SPEAKING

a Read the quiz questions and answers. Complete each question with an animal from the list.

bee bull dog jellyfish shark snake

b Look at the **highlighted** verbs and verb phrases. With a partner, try to guess their meaning from the context.

c Read the quiz again and **circle** your answers, a, b, or c.

d ► **Communication** *Would you know what to do?* **A** p.104 **B** p.107 **C** p.110. Read the answers to one section and tell the others. Did you all choose the right answers?

e Have you ever been in any of these situations? What did you do?

2 GRAMMAR

if + past, would + base form

a Look at questions 1–6 again. Are they about a past situation or an imagined future situation? What tense is the verb after *if*?

b ► **p.142 Grammar Bank 9A**. Learn more about the second conditional and practice it.

c Complete the sentences so that they are true for you. Compare with a partner.

- 1 If I had five extra hours every week,...
- 2 I would be very happy if...
- 3 If I could live anywhere in the world,...
- 4 I would learn English more quickly if...
- 5 If I won a lot of money in the lottery,...

3 VOCABULARY animals

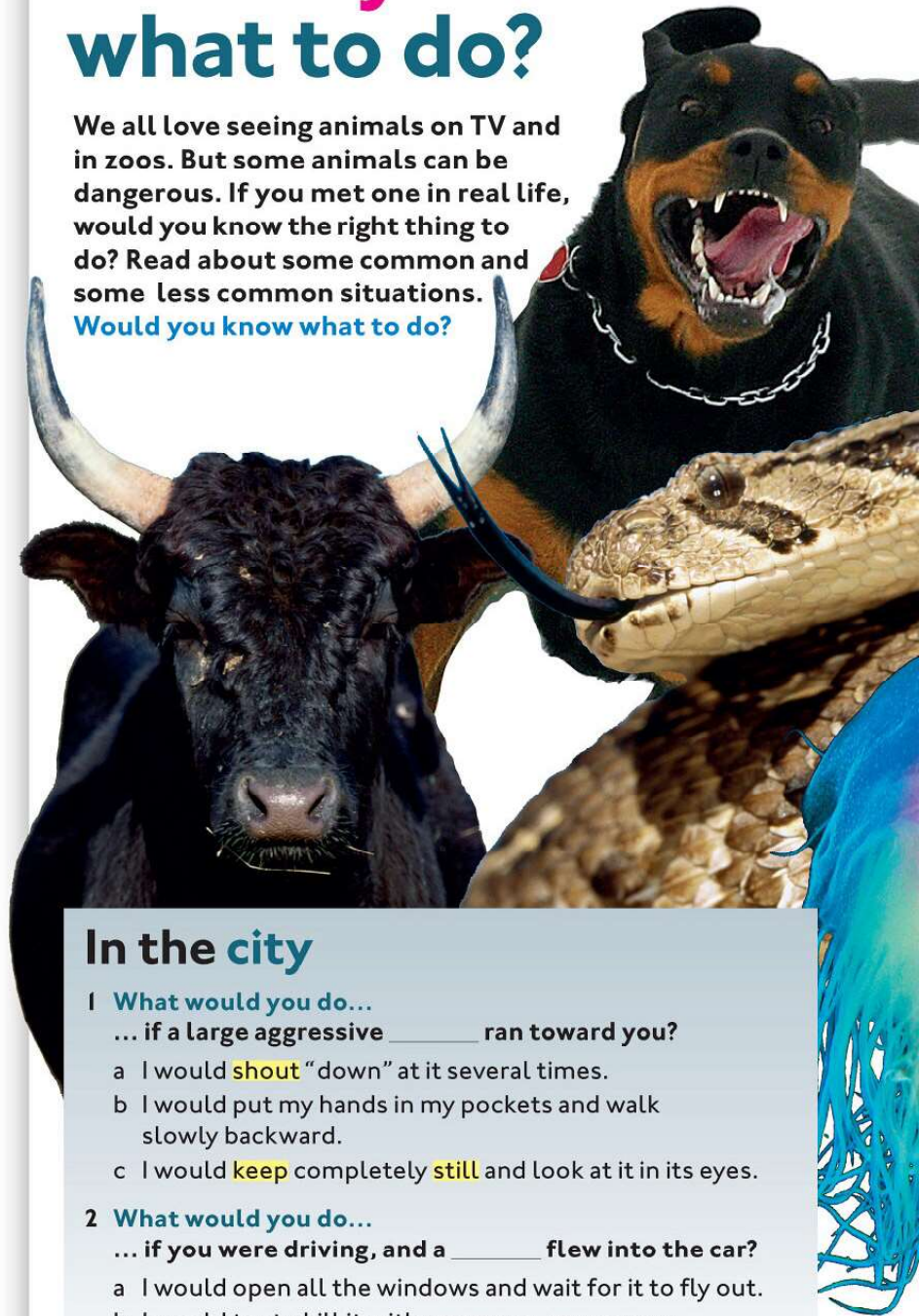
a ► **p.161 Vocabulary Bank Animals**.

b (4 18)) Listen. Which animals can you hear?

Would you know what to do?

We all love seeing animals on TV and in zoos. But some animals can be dangerous. If you met one in real life, would you know the right thing to do? Read about some common and some less common situations.

Would you know what to do?



In the city

1 What would you do...

... if a large aggressive _____ ran toward you?

- a I would **shout** "down" at it several times.
- b I would put my hands in my pockets and walk slowly backward.
- c I would **keep** completely **still** and look at it in its eyes.

2 What would you do...

... if you were driving, and a _____ flew into the car?

- a I would open all the windows and wait for it to fly out.
- b I would try to kill it with a map or a newspaper.
- c I would **wave** my hand to make it go out.

In the country

3 What would you do...

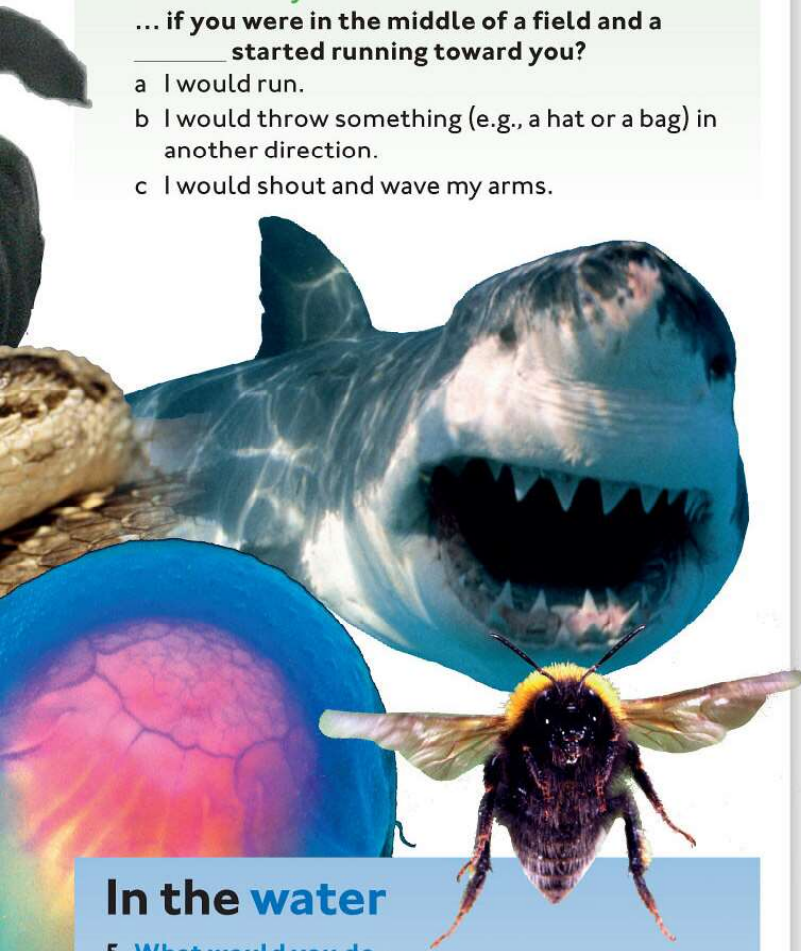
... if a **poisonous** _____ bit you on the leg, and you were more than **30 minutes** from the nearest town?

- a I would put something very cold on it, like a water bottle.
- b I would **suck** the bite to get the poison out.
- c I would **tie** something, e.g., a scarf on my leg above the bite.

4 What would you do...

... if you were in the middle of a field and a _____ started running toward you?

- a I would run.
- b I would throw something (e.g., a hat or a bag) in another direction.
- c I would shout and wave my arms.



In the water

5 What would you do...

... if you were in the ocean and a _____ stung you?

- a I would rub the sting with a towel to clean it.
- b I would wash the sting with fresh water.
- c I would wash the sting with vinegar or ocean water.

6 What would you do...

... if you were in the ocean near the shore and you saw a _____?

- a I would swim to the shore as quickly and quietly as possible.
- b I would **float** and pretend to be dead.
- c I would shout for help.

4 PRONUNCIATION word stress



Stress in words that are similar in other languages

Some words in English, e.g., for animals, are similar to the same words in other languages, but the stress is often in a different place.

- a Look at the animal words below. Can you remember which syllable is stressed? Underline it.

ca|mel cro|co|dile dol|phin e|le|phant
gi|raffe kan|ga|roo li|on mo|sqi|to

- b (4 19)) Listen and check. Are any of these words similar in your language? Is the stress in the same place?

- c In pairs, ask and answer the questions.

- 1 What's the most dangerous animal in your country?
- 2 If you went on a safari, what animal would you most like to see?
- 3 What's your favorite movie about an animal?
- 4 What's your favorite cartoon animal?
- 5 Are there any animals or insects you are really afraid of?
- 6 Do you (or did you) have a pet? What?
- 7 Are you allergic to any animals or insects?
- 8 If you could be an animal, which animal would you like to be?

5 SPEAKING

Work in groups of three. Take turns choosing a question and ask the others in the group. Then answer it yourself.

What would you do...

- ... if you saw a **mouse** in your kitchen?
- ... if you saw somebody being attacked by a **dog**?
- ... if a **bird** or a **bat** flew into your bedroom?
- ... if you saw a large **spider** in the bathtub?
- ... if it was a very hot day and you were on a beach that was famous for **shark** attacks?
- ... if someone offered to buy you a fur coat?
- ... if your neighbor's **dog** barked all night?
- ... if a friend asked you to look after his or her **cat** or **dog** for the weekend?
- ... if you went to somebody's house for dinner and he or she gave you...?

- a **horse** meat b **goat** c **kangaroo**



Talking about imaginary situations

I think I'd (probably) ...
I (definitely) wouldn't ...
I don't think I'd ...