

# Save the Elephants Materials List

Below is a list of materials needed for the Save the Elephants project-based unit. We have inserted the links to the exact item and where you can purchase them online knowing that many of these items are things you may already have in your home, school or classroom.

Item	Quantity per pack	Each student / group needs...	Notes
cardboard	N/A	1 piece	Each student needs a 5x7 or 8x11 piece of cardboard or cardstock to use as the background for their mosaic.
scissors	N/A	1 set to share	Students can share scissors.
colored pencils or markers	N/A	1 set to share	Any coloring tools (colored pencils, crayons, markers) will work for this project. Students can share.
index cards	N/A	1 per student	Students need 1 index card each to write an explanation of their mosaic.
large plastic cup or bowl	N/A	1 per group	Students need 1 plastic cup or bowl that will fit a cellphone inside the cup or bowl. Educators can demo this activity, if needed, to avoid needing sets for each group.
rubber band	N/A	1 per group	Each group doing the cellphone challenge needs one rubber band.
plastic wrap	N/A	1 per group	Each group doing the cellphone challenge needs one piece of plastic wrap about one foot square (enough to cover the plastic cup or bowl).
salt	N/A	1 teaspoon per group	Each group doing the cellphone challenge needs one teaspoon of salt.
cell phone or tablet	N/A	1 phone per group	Each group doing the cellphone challenge needs one cell phone or device with a speaker that fits in the plastic

			cup or bowl or dish. If needed, educators can demo this whole class.
yarn	N/A	Two pieces	Each student needs two pieces of yarn about 2-3 feet long. Students should not share yarn since yarn will be placed near student ears.
metal fork	N/A	1 per group	Each student needs 1 metal fork. If working in groups, students can share a fork. (Plastic forks will not work for this activity.)
metal spoon	N/A	1 per group	Each student needs 1 metal spoon. If working in groups, students can share the spoon. Plastic spoons will not work for this activity.)
stamp	N/A	1 per student	If students send letters individually, they need one stamp per student. If students send letters in one envelope from the class, individual stamps are not needed.
envelope	N/A	1 per student	If students send letters individually, they need one envelope per student. If students send letters in one envelope from the class, individual envelopes are not needed.
Letter paper	N/A	1 per student	This can be light colored paper, cardstock or regular white paper.
colored paper	N/A	1/2 sheet per student	Students will use colored paper to cut out paper hearts about 3 inches large. Students will each make 4 hearts.
balloons	N/A	2 per student	Students need large, uninflated balloons.
glue	N/A	students can share	Students need glue to glue googly eyes on balloons and balloons on letters.
Googly eyes	N/A	4 per student	Googly eyes can be ¼-½ inch

**CHOOSE 1: Elephant Group Mosaic:** In one lesson, students create an elephant mosaic which requires small pieces of paper, beans, pasta, peas etc. You can choose to use any of the items on this list for mosaic making. You only need one of these items.

Item	Quantity per pack	Each student needs...	Notes
<a href="#">mixed beans</a>	Many	50-200 beans to glue to their mosaic	If students make a mosaic with beans, it's best to buy mixed beans, or buy several kinds of beans and mix them together to have a variety of colors.
<a href="#">confetti</a>	10,000 squares	A teaspoon of confetti	A bag of confetti has a lot in it. Students only need a small amount of confetti to make their mosaic.
<a href="#">colored paper</a>	50 sheets	1-2 sheets of colored paper	It's best to have a pack of colored construction paper so students can cut small shapes from the larger paper to glue on their mosaic.
<a href="#">elbow pasta</a>	N/A	A handful of pasta	Elbow pasta works for mosaics. If you are feeling ambitious, students can paint the pasta different colors one day, then use the colored pasta the next day to make their mosaic.
<a href="#">split peas</a>	Many	2 tablespoons of split peas	If using split peas for mosaics, try to buy both green and yellow to give students a variety of colors.
<a href="#">tissue paper</a>	300 Sheets	1-2 sheets of colored tissue paper.	Students can cut or shred tissue paper to make mosaics. Having a variety of colors gives more choice for students.