

Gombe 60: Jane's Story

2020 marks a major milestone for Dr Jane Goodall and the whole Roots & Shoots family around the world. The 14 July will celebrate 60 years to the day since Jane first set foot in what is now the Gombe Stream National Park in Tanzania. She travelled there as a young woman to study the wild chimpanzees that call it home, and her ground-breaking work changed not only her life, but our scientific understanding of these amazing animals and of the world around us.

In this activity you and your students will:

- ▶ Learn about Jane's work in the Gombe Stream National Park
- ▶ Create a storyboard or cartoon strip of Jane's life and work.

Objectives

This project will help students see how scientific study, like Jane's research with chimpanzees in Gombe, can help us discover the best ways to protect our environment and the amazing animals that live there.

What do I need to make it work?

For this activity, you'll need:

- ▶ A computer and internet connection
- ▶ Paper, pens, scissors, glue and access to a printer

What things will my students create?

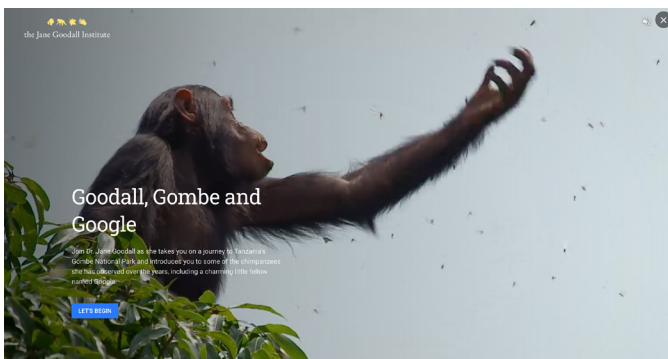
- ▶ A storyboard or cartoon

Discover Jane's work in Gombe

As part of the Gombe 60 celebrations the Jane Goodall Institute has put together some great resources that tell Jane's story.

Take the Google Earth Walk

To begin to discover Jane's story and some of the highlights of her work, you can go on this Google Earth Walk around Gombe itself: bit.ly/gombe-tour.



As you journey along you can read about some of Jane's experiences and findings as well as meet some of the chimpanzees along the way!

As you take the tour, take a notepad and pen with you and try to answer these questions:

1. What are the main events in Jane's story?
2. What character (animals or people) did you meet?
3. What amazing things did Jane discover?
4. What happened as a result of these discoveries?

Want to know more about Jane's work in Gombe?

If you want to know more about the works in the Gombe Stream National Park with the chimpanzees, environment and people that live there, then take a look at this story map: bit.ly/jgi-storymap

- ▶ You can use the information to add extra detail to the questions you answered while taking the Google Earth walk.



Photo: Jane Goodall Institute

Create your storyboard

Now that you have gathered information about Jane's story, you can turn that into a simple storyboard or cartoon.

Plan the story

- ▶ Write out what the main events in Jane's story by listing the characters you met and the main thing that happened.
- ▶ For each event, think what images or drawings you might need to show or explain that event.
- ▶ Finally write a short sentence that explains what is happening in each scene or event.

Prepare the images or illustrations

To create your storyboard you can either draw all the pictures yourself or print, cut and stick images from websites like the storymap (bit.ly/jgi-storymap) or Google Image searches to create a collage story.

If you are drawing the pictures yourself you might want to practice drawing some of the characters and scenes first. Here is a how to draw a chimp video that could be helpful: bit.ly/draw-a-chimp.

You can also purchase and download ***The Colours of Gombe*** colouring book. Using the book you can get to know more of Jane's story and explore the amazing world of Gombe by colouring it in! You may also be able to use scenes or elements from the illustrations to base your own drawings on for your storyboard. You can download the Gombe colouring book here: bit.ly/colours-of-gombe

As part of our Gombe 60 celebrations, we'll also be running an upcoming colouring competition based on this book, in September. Watch this space!

Here are some of our images to inspire your illustration.



Photo: Jane Goodall Institute



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David, Greybeard & Jane, Gombe - Photo: National Geographic Society - Hugo van Lawick



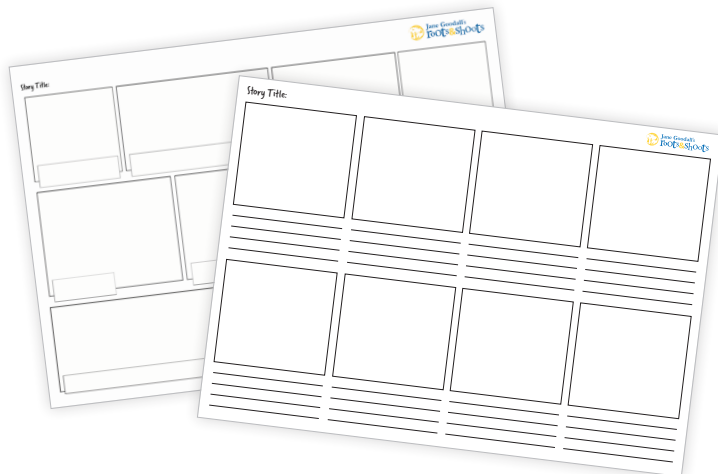
Pant Hoot - Photo: Michael Neugebauer

Create the final story or cartoon

We've created some blank storyboard or cartoon board templates with different numbers of story windows for you to use for free:

bit.ly/jgi-templates

Download and print off a template, or draw your own outline if you need a different amount of windows for your story plan, then get creating your final storyboard.



Share your stories

We'd love to see the artwork you created and I'm sure others will too! So head over to our website and upload photos of them into a mission update.

Upload your storyboards

You can login to upload your story and see all the other mission updates here: www.rootsnshoots.org.uk/blog/category/mission-updates/

Feeling inspired?

What have you learned from looking into Jane's story? What could you do where you are to follow in her footsteps?

Jane has shown us that even though your efforts might have small

beginnings, they can have a significant impact. What can you do to improve the area you live in for the plants, animals and people that call it home?

We offer plenty more resources on our website, but why not start with our 'Local Area' series:

www.rootsnshoots.org.uk/blog/category/activities/my-local-area/

Or if you've got lots of your own ideas for you and your group to do, go for it and post a mission update on our site:

www.rootsnshoots.org.uk/blog/category/mission-updates/

Want to help improve this activity?

This activity is a living document! Help us by editing this activity to make it as good as possible, just use this short link (just type it into your web browser's address bar): bit.ly/3aFaQEX – full instructions are provided. Any edits that can make this resource easier to use in the classroom or more applicable to life in the UK are very welcome, so please follow the link and make your contribution!

Why not enter the Jane Goodall's Roots & Shoots Awards?

This resource was provided by Roots & Shoots UK, a not for profit charity run by the Jane Goodall Institute (UK). One of the aims of Roots & Shoots is to inspire young people to care for people, animals and the environment, and one of the ways that we like to do this is by running annual awards.

Every school that uploads a story about their activities to the Roots & Shoots website www.rootsnshoots.org.uk

automatically wins a bronze award certificate to display at school, and the best stories win the chance for you and your children to meet Dr Jane Goodall herself along with a host of other prizes.

See www.rootsnshoots.org.uk/awards for details about the awards and information on how to upload your 'mission update' story and win!

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