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But ten minutes later the elephants were noisier than ever!
"Listen," said Elmer, "I've an idea."
"Whatever you like, Elmer," said the elephants, as they continued their preparations. "It's your Day!"





Elmer returned to the other animals.
“I’m sorry about the noise,” he said. “But this year is a special year, because you are all invited to join the parade. Of course you will have to decorate yourselves.”
The animals were really excited.



Gradually every corner of the jungle became filled with the sound of laughter and preparations for the parade.
“What a racket!” thought Elmer looking at the elephants.
“And what a mess! I wonder how the others are getting on?”