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Understanding the Animal Kingdom

Single Paragraph Outline

Topic Sentence (What is being compared) : The African elephant and the polar bear are both mammals, but they have many differences in how they look, live, and survive.

- Detail 1 (What is the same): warm-blooded vertebrates with fur or hair; give birth to live young
- Detail 2 (What is different): physical features → elephant has a trunk and large ears; polar bear has thick white fur and a layer of blubber, habitat → elephant lives in savannas and forests; polar bear lives on Arctic sea ice, survival adaptation → elephant uses its trunk to gather food and water; polar bear hunts seals and blends into the snow

Concluding Sentence (What you learned or why it matters): Even though elephants and polar bears are both mammals, they survive in very different ways.