

Elementary Language Arts Class

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A Special Gorilla

I knew an animal named Ivan who was a **young gorilla**. Ivan was born in a **rainy forest** in Africa. He was in a **ginormous family** called a troop. The **strong leader** was called a silverback.

Ivan was stolen by **mean poachers**. Another baby gorilla was stolen with Ivan. Her name was Burma. Ivan and Burma were taken to **Tacoma, Washington**. Soon Burma died.

A **lonely cage** in the mall was Ivan's **uncomfortable home**. For a while, he just watched **boring TV**. He played with an old tire. He finger-painted. Mostly, he watched the **annoying humans** watching him.