

# The Gorilla Foundation invites you to celebrate gorillas

as a part of this year's **Endangered Species Day** and play your part in protecting this amazing species!

With the status of gorillas deteriorating to **critically endangered**, it is more important than ever to understand how we can help to protect this fragile species.

We encourage kids of all ages to celebrate gorillas with their friends, family, and neighbors. Explore our list of activities, or better yet, create your own!

- Create a gorilla-you (3D mask).
- Read about gorillas from our Gorilla Fact Sheet and complete the crossword puzzle.
- Learn about gorillas online at **koko.org** or in your local library and present what you have learned to your classmates or family.
- Draw or paint your own masterpiece about gorillas. Check out the beautiful artwork of Koko and Michael for inspiration.
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(your idea).

For downloads and more information on celebrating gorillas as part of Endangered Species Day, please visit [www.koko.org/endorsedspeciesday](http://www.koko.org/endorsedspeciesday).

Endangered Species Day began in 2006 with the support of California Senator Diane Feinstein in hopes of spreading awareness of and knowledge about the endangered wildlife around the world.



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**Our mission: to bring interspecies communication to the public in order to save gorillas from extinction and to inspire our children to create a sustainable future for all great apes; has taken on even greater urgency recently, as all gorillas have now been declared critically endangered – a designation which means they are just one step away from extinction.**