



LIONS

KEY INFORMATION

Lions are large cats that are native to Africa and India, mostly within savannahs, grasslands and woodlands. They are social species, forming groups called prides. A lion's pride is made up of a few male adults, related females, and cubs. Groups of females usually hunt together, whilst male lions stay to protect their territory. A female lion is called a lioness, and a baby lion is called a cub.



APPEARANCE

Lions are very strong animals that have a muscular, broad-chested body with sharp claws and teeth. They have a yellow-gold fur, with the adult males having shaggy manes around their face. They have short, rounded heads, round ears and hairy tufts at the end of their tails.

DIET

Lions are carnivores, which means they eat meat. Their main preys are large mammals, like zebras, wildebeests, buffaloes and types of antelopes. Lions are said to feed every 3 or 4 days and can go without food for more than a week.

FUN FACTS

Lions can run as fast as 50 mph. They are very good at camouflaging, so when hunting it is a perfect way to catch their prey as they hide themselves in the long grass. Young lions start off spotty, but as they get older they start to disappear.



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EXAMPLE QUESTIONS:

1. Where are lions from?
2. What is a baby lion called/
3. What do male lions have around their faces?
4. What foods do lions like?
5. What are lions very good at?