



Lions — Kings of the Savanna

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A lion is a **large animal** that lives in Africa. Lions have golden-brown fur and four strong legs. Male lions have thick hair around their face called a mane. People call the lion the **king** of the jungle.

Lions live in a **group** called a pride. A pride is like a big lion family. It can have up to 30 lions! Living in a group helps lions stay safe and find food. The females, called lionesses, work together to **hunt** for **meat** — they catch big animals like zebras and wildebeest.

Lionesses are very **fast** runners. They can run up to 80 kilometers per hour! They work as a team to catch animals. Male lions are bigger and stronger. They protect the pride. If danger comes, male lions will **fight** to keep their family safe.

Female lions give birth to **baby** cubs. Cubs are very small when they are born. They stay close to their mothers and drink milk. All the lionesses in the pride help take care of the cubs. A **baby** lion grows quickly and becomes strong.

Lions make a very **loud** sound called a roar. A lion's roar can be heard from 8 kilometers away! Lions roar to talk to each other and warn other animals to stay away. If you hear a lion roar in the wild, you will never forget it!

A. Vocabulary

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| 1. large ____ | a. a number of things or animals that are together |
| 2. animal ____ | b. moving or able to move at high speed |
| 3. king ____ | c. a very young animal or human |
| 4. group ____ | d. a living thing that can move and feel, like a dog or a bird |
| 5. hunt ____ | e. making a strong, powerful sound that travels far |
| 6. meat ____ | f. to chase and catch animals for food |
| 7. fast ____ | g. the flesh of an animal used as food |
| 8. fight ____ | h. to use force against another animal or person to stay safe |
| 9. baby ____ | i. big in size; not small |
| 10. loud ____ | j. the most powerful male leader of a group |



B. True or False

1. A lion is a large animal that lives in Africa. ____
2. Male lions have thick hair around their face called a mane. ____
3. A group of lions is called a herd. ____
4. Lionesses work together to hunt for food. ____
5. Lions eat only plants and leaves. ____
6. Lionesses can run up to 80 kilometers per hour. ____
7. Male lions do the hunting for the pride. ____
8. Baby lions are called cubs. ____
9. A lion's roar can be heard from 8 kilometers away. ____



C. Fill in the Blanks

Word Bank: group, hunt, meat, baby, loud

1. Lions live in a _____ called a pride, which is like a big lion family.

2. The lionesses work together to _____ for big animals like zebras and wildebeest.
3. Lions eat _____ — they are not vegetarians.
4. Female lions give birth to _____ cubs that stay close to their mothers.
5. A lion's roar is very _____ and can be heard from 8 kilometers away.

D. Comprehension Questions

1. What do male lions look like, and why do people call the lion the king of the jungle?
2. What is a pride, and why do lions live together in a group?
3. How do lionesses hunt for food?
4. How are lion cubs cared for by the pride?
5. Why do lions roar, and how far can a lion's roar be heard?

E. Discussion Questions

1. Why do you think people call the lion the 'king of the jungle' even though lions live in grasslands, not jungles?
2. Do you think it is better for animals to live alone or in a group? Why?
3. Have you ever seen a lion at the zoo or in a video? What did you think of it?



Answer Key

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A. Vocabulary: 1-i, 2-d, 3-j, 4-a, 5-f, 6-g, 7-b, 8-h, 9-c, 10-e

B. True/False: 1-T, 2-T, 3-F, 4-T, 5-F, 6-T, 7-F, 8-T, 9-T

C. Fill Blanks: 1-group, 2-hunt, 3-meat, 4-baby, 5-loud

D. Comprehension:

1. Male lions have golden-brown fur and thick hair around their face called a mane. People call the lion the king of the jungle because it is very large, strong, and powerful.
2. A pride is like a big lion family with up to 30 lions. Lions live together to stay safe, find food, and take care of their young cubs.
3. Lionesses work as a team to catch big animals. They run very fast — up to 80 kilometers per hour — and surround their prey together.
4. All the lionesses in the pride help take care of the cubs. The mothers stay close to their babies and feed them milk until they grow strong.
5. Lions roar to talk to each other and warn other animals to stay away. A lion's roar is very loud and can be heard from 8 kilometers away.

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