

Animals of the Savana Week

The savanna is a type of grasslands biome. The savanna is sometimes called the tropical grasslands.



Some facts about savannas can be found here:

https://www.ducksters.com/science/ecosystems/savanna_biome.php

Characteristics of the Savanna

- Grasses and trees - The savanna is a rolling grassland with scattered trees and shrubs.
- Rainy and dry seasons - Savannas have two distinct seasons in regards to precipitation. There is a rainy season in the summer with around 15 to 25 inches of rain and a dry season in the winter when only a couple of inches of rain may fall.
- Large herds of animals - There are often large herds of grazing animals on the savanna that thrive on the abundance of grass and trees.
- Warm - The savanna stays pretty warm all year. It cools down some during the dry season, but stays warm and humid during the rainy season.

There are large areas of savanna in Africa, in South America in India and in northern Australia. They are mostly found near the equator.



How many savanna animals can you think of?

To help you, have a look at the wordsearches below.

African Savannah Animal Word Search

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BABOON	BONGO	CHEETAH
GAZELLE	GIRAFFE	HIPPOPOTAMUS
HYENA	JACKAL	LION
OSTRICH	RHINOCEROS	TERMITE
WEAVERBIRD	WILDEBEEST	ZEBRA



Here's another slightly easier wordsearch.

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Q	D	S	Q	B	O	K	Z	X	N

BABOON	BONGO	CHEETAH
GIRAFFE	HIPPO	HYENA
LION	OSTRICH	RHINO
ZEBRA		





Lion Craft

So, as you should all know from Lion King, the King of the savanna is the lion. Here are some craft activities:

Pasta Lion

You need:

Paper plate
Fusilli Pasta
Paint
PVA glue
Googly eyes



Woolly Lion Mask

You need:

Paper plate
Yellow or orange wool
(tissue or crepe paper also works)
PVA glue
Scissors
Elastic



Lion Corner Bookmark

Here is the video to show you how to make bookmark:

<https://www.easypeasyandfun.com/lion-corner-bookmarks/>

You will need:

A square piece of orange yellow paper
1 piece of brown paper
1 piece of white paper
1 piece of red paper
Black felt-tip pen or googly eyes
Glue
Scissors (if you have zig-zag scissors use for teeth)



Fold yellow/orange paper in half.



Fold in half again – press at the bottom. This will mark the middle.
Unfold back to the first triangle.



Take one layer of paper – grab the top corner of the triangle – and fold it down to the bottom of the triangle.



Take the right corner of the triangle and fold it toward the middle of the triangle (at the bottom).



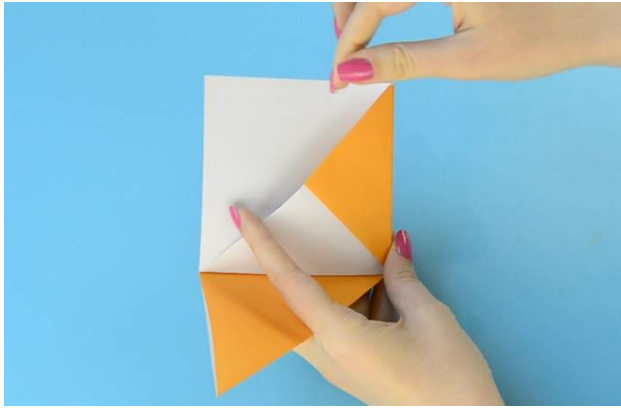
Repeat with the other side.
Unfold.



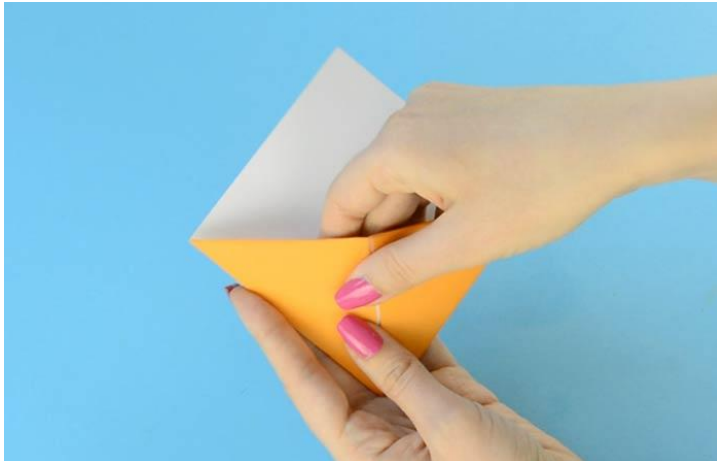
Take the right corner again, this time folding it toward the top of the triangle.
Do the same with the other side.



Tuck the flaps into the pocket.



You have your basic corner bookmark design and it's ready to be decorated.



Let's make a lion corner bookmark
Place the corner bookmark on the brown paper.
Draw a "mane" around the bookmark.



Cut the mane out.



Glue it on the back of the bookmark.



Also cut the snout from the brown paper and glue it onto the bookmark.



Draw or glue on eyes.

Cut teeth with zig-zag scissors and glue them inside the bookmark.



Cut fangs and glue them inside your lion corner bookmarks.



Last but not least, cut tongue out of red or pink paper and glue it inside (to the bottom) of the corner bookmark.

There your first of many lion corner bookmarks is complete.



Make a Lion with a moving head and tail

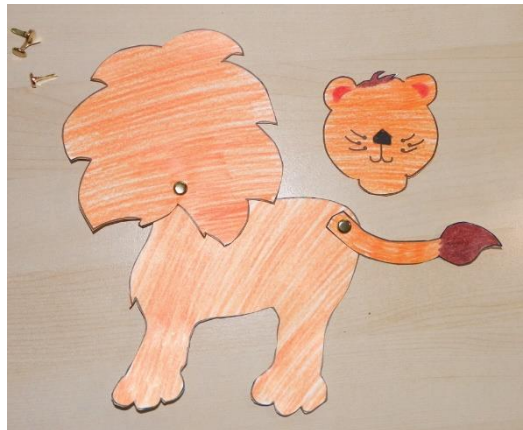


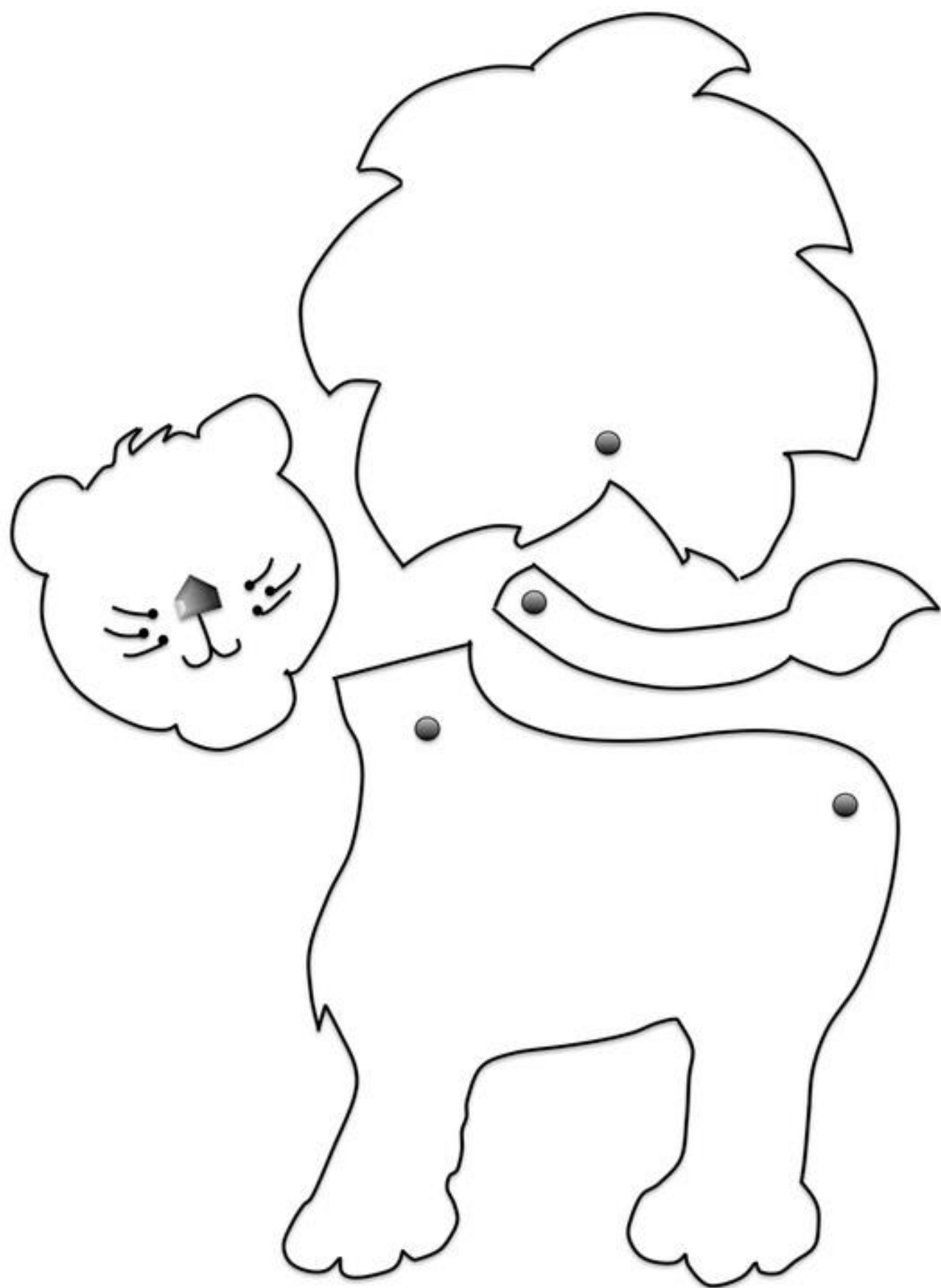
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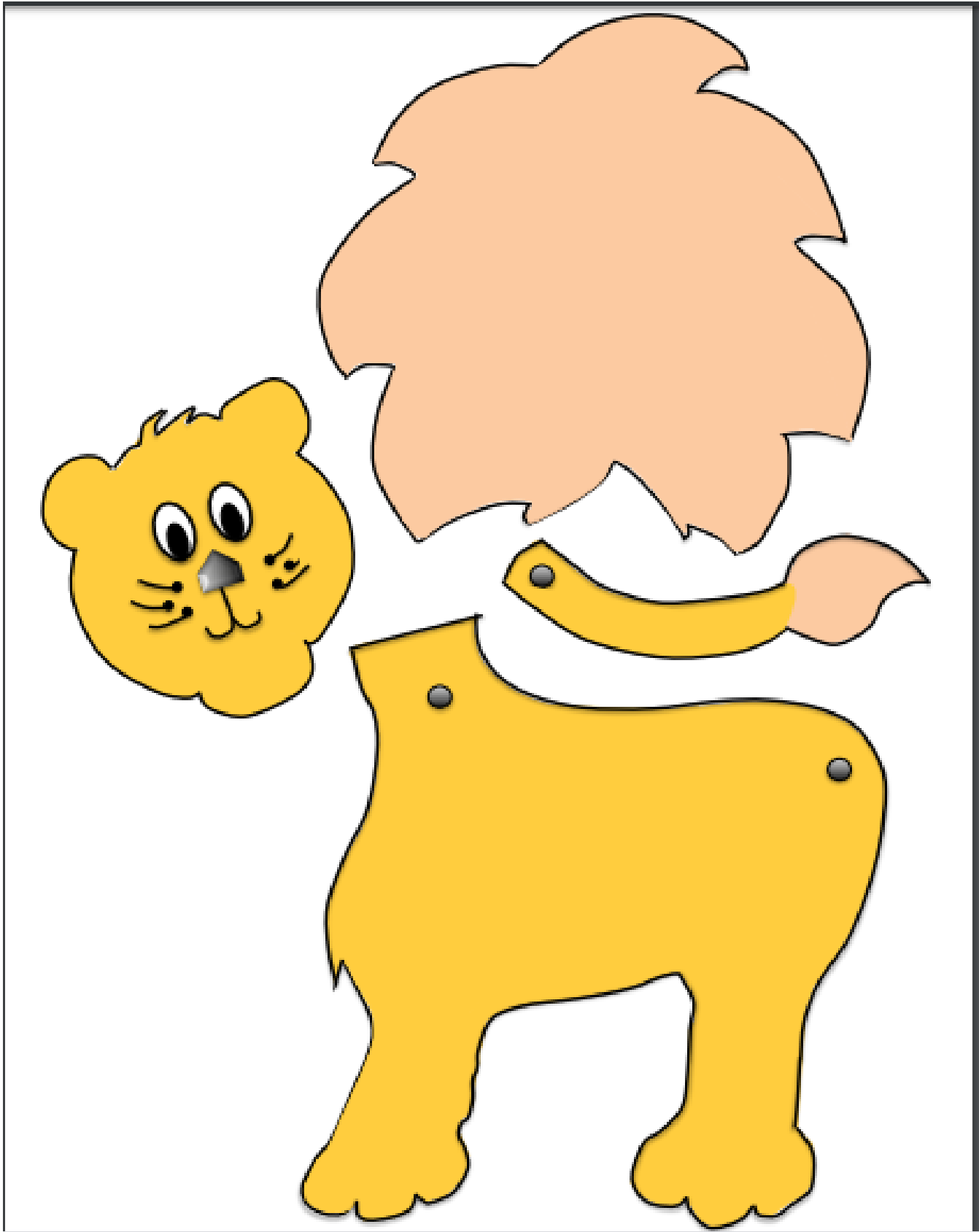
1. One sheet of A4 light card. Either coloured yellow, or white if you would like to colour the lion yourself.
2. A single hole punch
3. Two small google eyes
4. Two split-pins (also known as brads)
5. Printer
6. Double sided sticky tape (DSST) or glue
7. For colouring - pens, pencils, crayons etc

Instructions:

1. Print off the template onto a piece of A4 card (see below).
2. If you have chosen white card, then colour the pieces of the lion now.
3. Cut out the pieces of the lion, and punch holes where indicated by dots on the template. You should have four holes.
4. Attach the mane and tail pieces using split pins.
5. Attach the lion's face onto the mane. Note that the chin covers the split pin. The best way to attach it is using DSST on the upper portion of the lion's face, leaving the chin area over the split pin free of adhesive.
6. Stick the google eyes onto the lion's face.



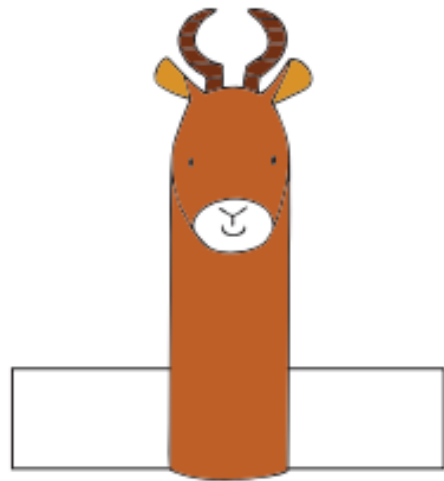
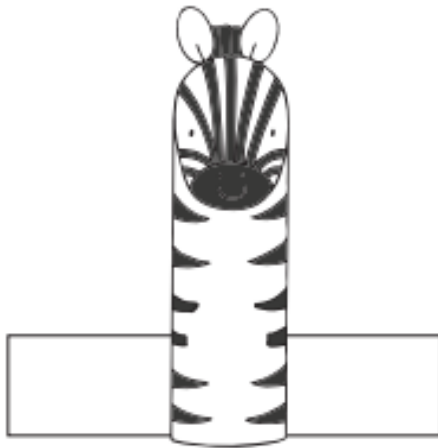
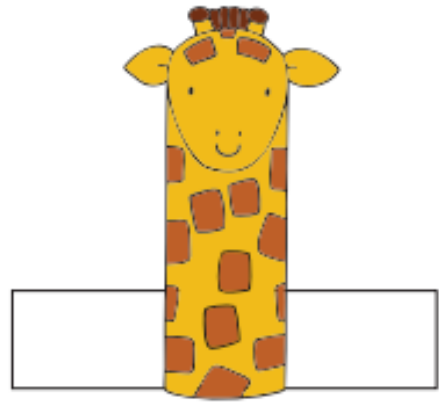
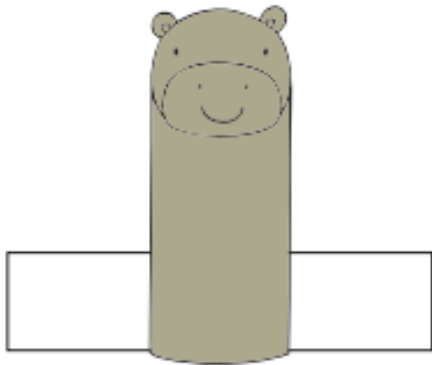
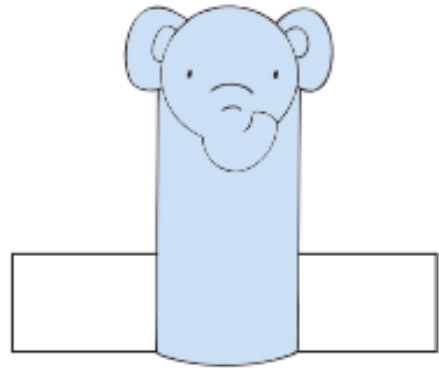
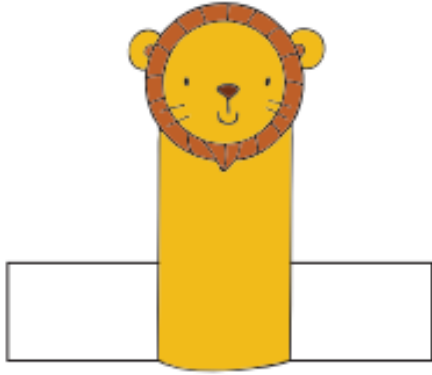


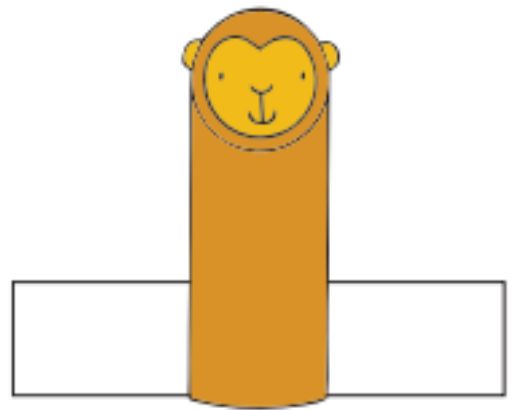
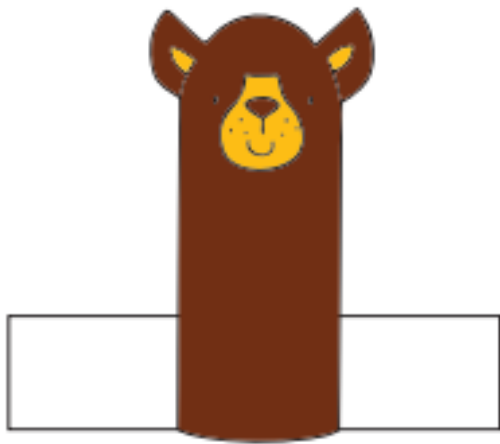
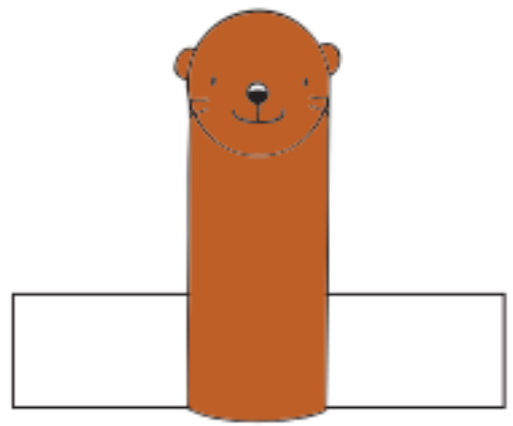
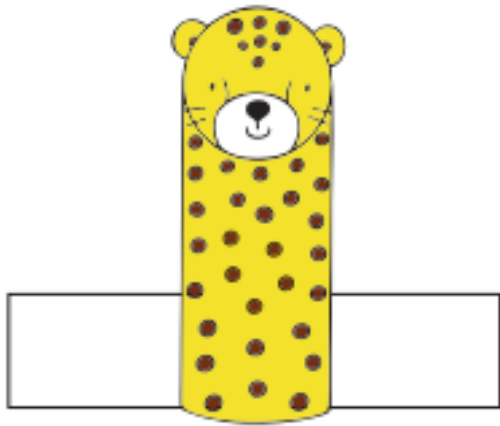




Safari Animal Finger Puppets

Print out and cut out.





If you have coloured paper or felt you can always make your own designs.



Safari Games

The link below takes you to a booklet with lots of facts about safari or savanna animals. After this you can play a game. All you need is a dice.

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/0ByyuaioCObBVQ2J0M0YtSFFiRzA/edit>



Savanna Snacks

Using various ingredients that you have in the fridge make yourself a savanna animal snack. You can use toast, pancakes or crackers as your base (your canvass if you like) then using various fruit, vegetables and spreads you can make some animal faces. You can use butter, cream cheese, humous, jam, honey, chocolate spread, marmite, cherry tomatoes, olives, sticks or chunks of peppers, sticks of cucumbers or celery, lettuce, cheese or ham cut into shapes, strawberries, blueberries, raspberries, cherries and what every else you have in the fridge that you like! Below are some ideas.





Elephant Craft

You will need:

- One 4 pint (2 litre) empty milk bottle
- Coloured tissue paper (for an Elmer) or grey (In fact you can use any colour or even patterned paper.)
- PVA glue
- Googly eyes
- Card for ears





Animal Poems

Below is a poem about an elephant. Can you make up a poem about your favourite savanna animal. Please send your poems to admin@115club.co.uk. If you want you can add an illustration of your favourite savanna animal.

The African Elephant



The elephant has enormous ears,
And a trunk so very long.
His eyes are very tiny, though,
And his tusks are sharp and strong.

Action

Line

- 1 – Hands either side of head, making ears
- 2 – Hands together, arms outstretched in front
- 3 – Point to eyes
- 4 – Arms forward, curved upwards.



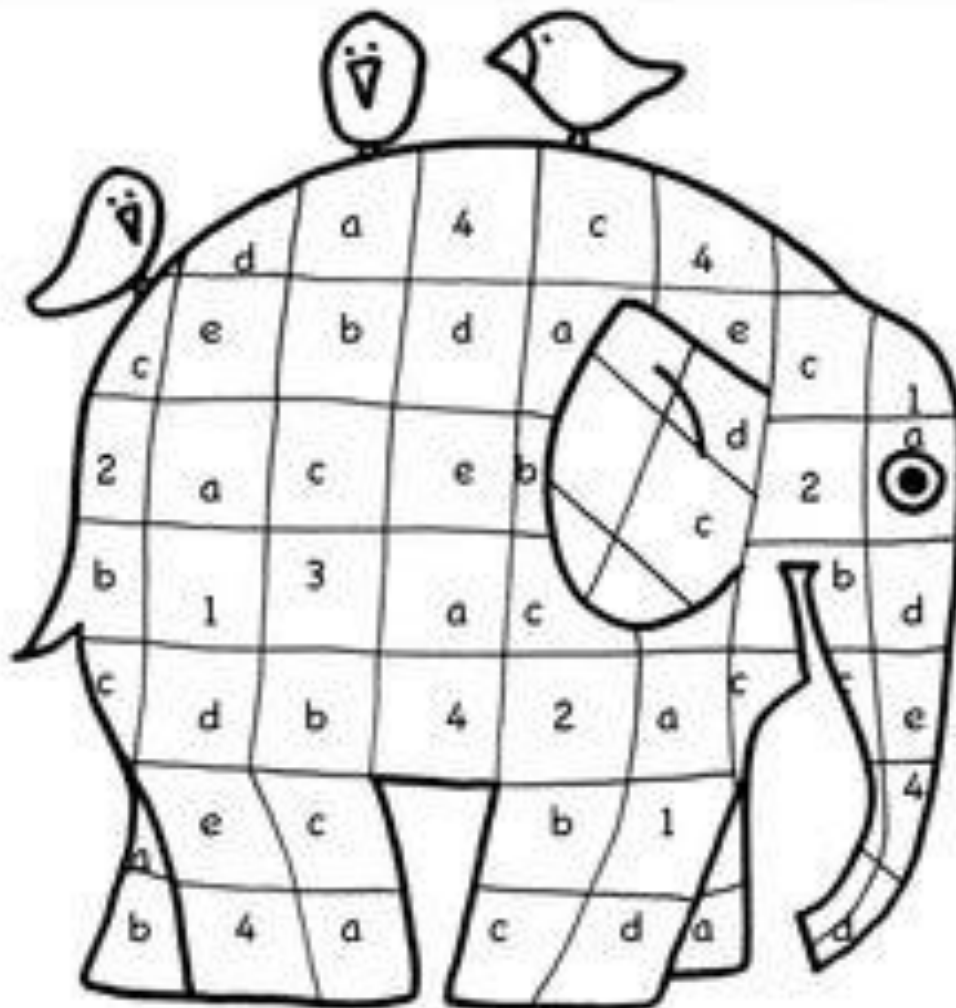
Elmer the Elephant colouring

Everyone loves Elmer the multi-coloured elephant. Colour him in following the guide or just put whatever colours you decide, either way a happy, colourful elephant.

Name: _____

Elmer the Elephant

a = red b = orange c = yellow d = green e = blue	1 = purple 2 = grey 3 = pink 4 = black
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Zebra Cake



Ingredients

- 4 large eggs separated
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup lukewarm water
- 3 cups flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 tablespoons unsweetened cocoa powder

Instructions

1. Whisk the egg whites until stiff.
2. In a separate bowl, whisk the egg yolks with the sugar until fluffy and creamy.
3. Stir in the oil and water. Then add the flour and baking powder.
4. Gently fold in the egg whites.
5. Divide the dough into two parts and mix one half with the cocoa powder.
6. Put one or two spoons of white dough into the middle of your baking tin. It will slowly flow in all directions. Then put the same amount of dark dough directly onto the first, not next to each other.
7. Repeat this procedure until the dough is used up.
8. Bake for 50-60 minutes at 180°C/360°F.



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