Compare & Contrast

Lions and Tigers

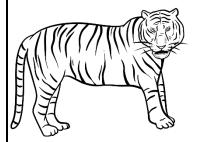
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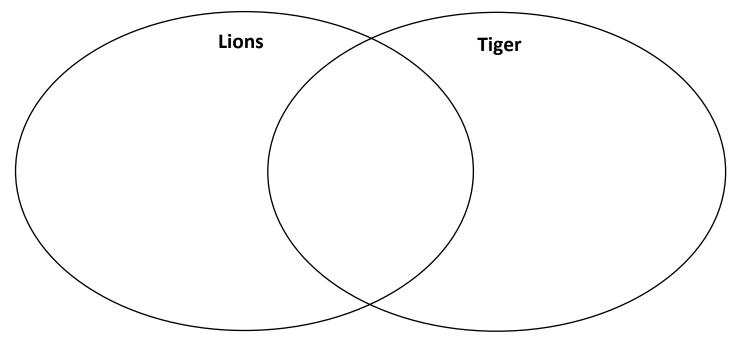
Most lions live in Sub-Saharan Africa, whereas most tigers live in tropical regions of Asia. Lions and tigers can be found in a variety of habitats, however lions are commonly found in grasslands and wide-open plains. Habitats of tigers include grasslands, rainforests and even swamps.

The litter of a female tiger usually consists of two or three cubs, while the litter of a female lion is usually between one and four. Cubs of both species are born blind!



Although lions and tigers are both apex predators, meaning they are at the top of the food chain, they face threats from humans. The habitats of both lions and tigers are being destroyed and fragmented by human activities. Both animals also face threats from poaching and trophy hunting.

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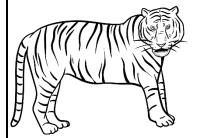
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Africa

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yellow-gold colour

Felidae family

grassland habitat

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apex predators

Tiger

Asia

swamps, rainforests

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