

Tiger facts!

- Tigers are the biggest cats in the world, some can grow to nearly 4 metres long. (That's about four times your height!) And can weigh more than 10 times what you do!
- A group of tigers is called a streak.
- They have stripes so that they can sneak up on prey when they are hunting for dinner. Although you'd easily spot a Tiger in your backyard the stripes help hide tigers in their natural habitat of shadowy grasslands and forests.
- Tigers often go two or three days without eating anything.
- Most tigers have more than 100 stripes! And just like zebras, no two tigers have identical stripes.
- There are not many tigers left in the wild (so make sure you look after Tipu!). This is because the forests where they live are being chopped down. Tigers are also hunted for their body parts as some people believe they have healing powers.
- Wild tigers live to around 12 years old, however those kept captive (in zoos and safari parks) can expect to live up to 20 years.
- There are no wild Tigers in Africa and there never have been! Lions, leopards and cheetahs all live in Africa but Tigers are Asian cats.
- A tigers roar is so loud it can be heard over a mile away.
- Every tiger has a different stripe pattern, just like human fingerprints do!

