

Animals We Love:

TIGERS

Recommended for preschoolers

Let's learn more about tigers:

- Tigers are only found in Asia. They live in deciduous or tropical rainforests, grasslands and near mangrove swamps.
- Unlike most cats, tigers love water. As excellent swimmers, they readily enter water to pursue prey.
- Tigers hunt at night, with excellent eyesight that can see six times better than we do. Their black and orange striped coat allows them to camouflage in the long grasses or wooded forests.
- Tigers have soft foot pads to creep up on prey before pouncing on them. They can pounce up to 10 m. They may hide large prey in tall grass and return to feed on them over a few days.
- The last wild tiger in Singapore was shot dead in 1930 in Chua Chu Kang village. Across Asia, tigers face the threat of poaching. There are only some 3,000 tigers in the wild.



Use the See-Think-Wonder Thinking Routine* to start a conversation with your child

*Adapted from Project Zero, Harvard Graduate School of Education

SEE

- Name all the colours you can spot in this photograph.
- How are these two tigers similar?
- How are they different?

THINK

- Why do you think tigers are so strong?
- What do you think these tigers were doing before their photograph was taken?

WONDER

- I wonder how far a tiger can pounce.

Activity Time!

Alphabet Yoga



At least 1 adult
and 1 child



Just your body

STEP 1: Take turns to pose the letters that spell T-I-G-E-R.

STEP 2: Try to pose the letters T-I-G-E-R spelt backwards.

***Bonus Challenge:** Create your own list of words associated with tigers e.g. orange, stripes, and roar to spell with your bodies. Take turns to pose the letters and guess the words.*



Tigers 'R' Us



At least 1 adult
supervisor and
1 child



Recycled materials,
scissors, string, glue,
pencil & paper

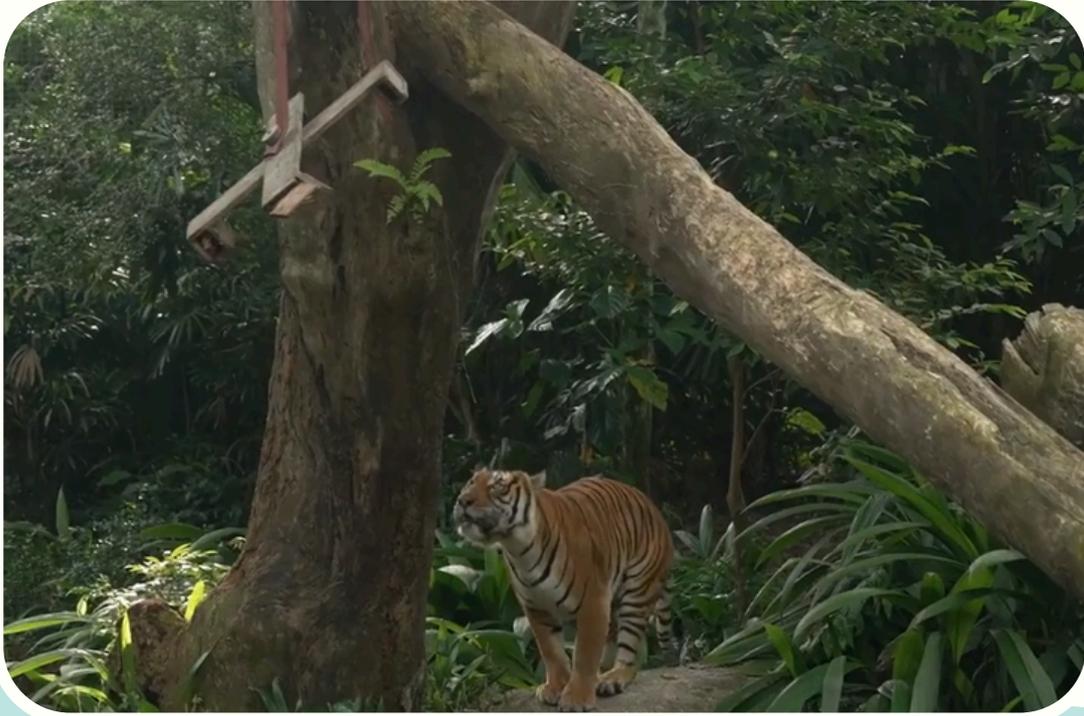
STEP 1: Visit the Zoo's webpage on tigers and observe the face of this tiger, paying close attention to the details.

STEP 2: Use recycled materials to create a tiger face mask. Challenge yourself to include as much details as possible.



Mandai
**Singapore
Zoo**

Try out this activity when you visit us!



Toy for the tigers



2 or more
players



Natural loose parts
(e.g. leaves, twigs, pebbles)

STEP 1: Take a look at this picture. The tigers love to play with toys! Playing with this toy can help keep them fit as they have to climb or jump to reach it. Can you create a toy to keep the tigers fit too?

STEP 2: Visit the Zoo and observe the tigers in the exhibit. These tigers love to play! Do you notice any objects in the exhibit that they might play with?

STEP 3: Collect at least five types of natural loose parts around the tiger exhibit. Imagine you were a tiger keeper. What kind of toys would you design for the tigers to help them keep fit? You may wish to find out more about the natural behaviour of tigers in the wild to help you create a toy for the tigers in the Zoo. Use all the different types of natural loose parts you have collected.

STEP 4: Remember to return the loose parts back to nature!