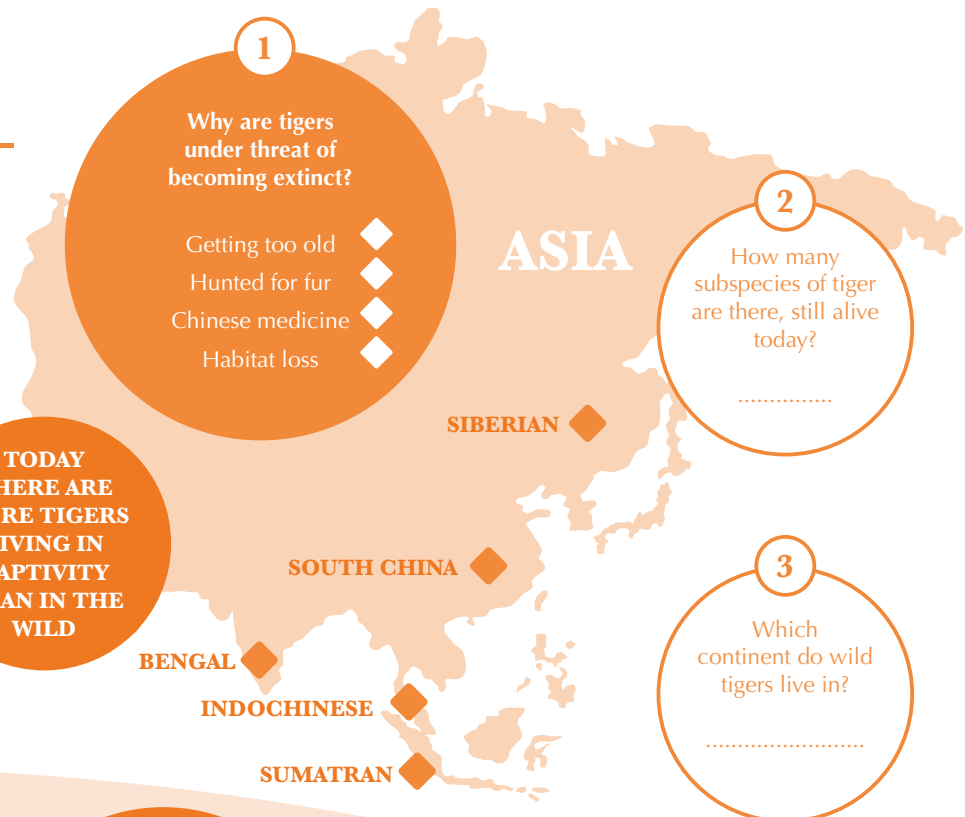


Save the Tigers

Tigers are an endangered species. Despite many laws and national parks to protect, tigers their habitat continues to be destroyed and they are still hunted by poachers.

Today, there are five subspecies of tiger: Bengal, South China, Indochinese, Sumatran and Siberian. Sadly, three subspecies of tiger have become extinct – Caspian, Bali and Javan.

Less than 100 years ago, tigers could be found throughout Asia. Sadly, hunting for their fur, use of their bones and whiskers in traditional Chinese medicine and loss of habitat have put populations at risk, and today their range has been reduced to around 7% of its former size. That's why we need to do all we can to protect these beautiful animals!



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Why are tigers under threat of becoming extinct?

- Getting too old
- Hunted for fur
- Chinese medicine
- Habitat loss

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How many subspecies of tiger are there, still alive today?

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TODAY THERE ARE MORE TIGERS LIVING IN CAPTIVITY THAN IN THE WILD

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Which continent do wild tigers live in?

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Hungry?

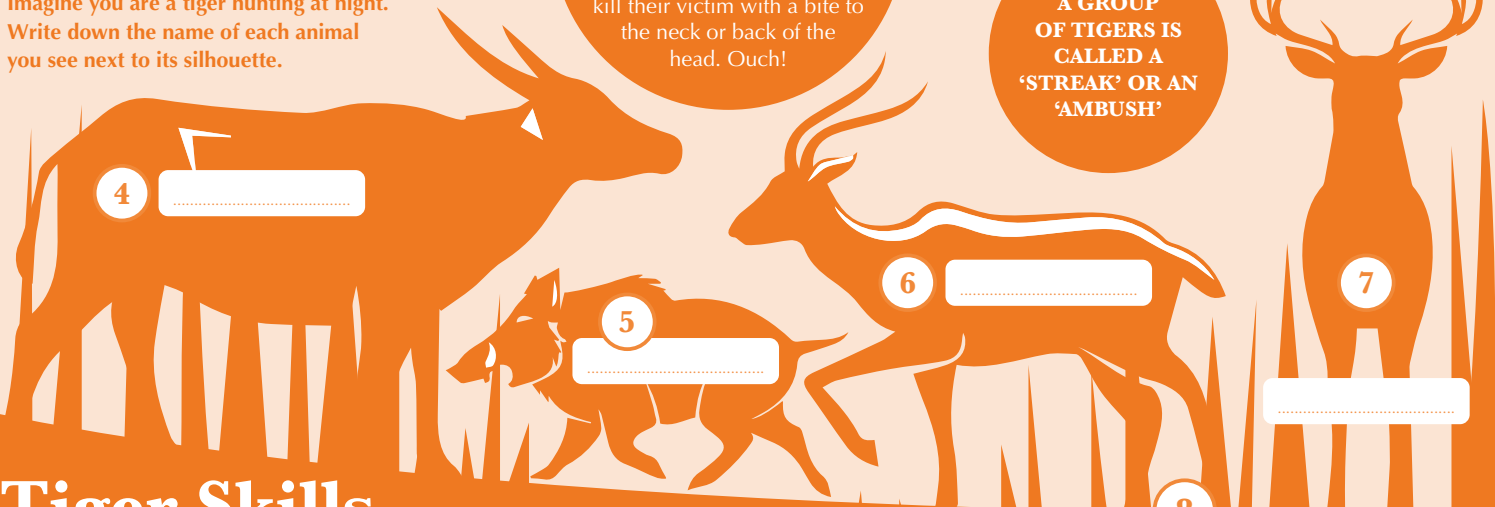
Tigers are carnivores, eating only meat. They mainly feed on large mammals such as deer, wild pigs, antelope and buffalo.

Imagine you are a tiger hunting at night. Write down the name of each animal you see next to its silhouette.

HUNTING

Tigers are solitary hunters, and generally search for food alone at night. They quietly stalk their prey until they are close enough to pounce – then they kill their victim with a bite to the neck or back of the head. Ouch!

A GROUP OF TIGERS IS CALLED A 'STREAK' OR AN 'AMBUSH'



Tiger Skills

Tigers live in environments that are harsh and so have to be completely independent. This means that their very survival depends on their own efforts, skills and senses - with no help from a pack. They are accomplished hunters, and their bodies are designed and built for the kill. Their senses are crucial to their survival.

NIGHT VISION

Tigers have exceptional eyesight, particularly at night! They can also judge distances very well. In the daytime their eyesight is about as good as our human sight but at night - it is about six times better than human sight!

HEARING

Hearing is the most powerful of all the tiger senses. Because they usually hunt at night or in dense bushes it is important that they can hear where their prey is, so they don't miss an opportunity to pounce!

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Count the eyes. How many tigers are hiding in the bushes, ready to pounce?

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