



# Learn about Cheetahs!

Cheetahs are the fastest runners, they can reach up to 65 miles per hour! Their speed is very important for catching their prey, agile gazelles. Animals that have to hunt for their food, like Cheetahs, are called predators. Can you think of any other predators?

## Spotted Cats

Cheetah's spots are excellent camouflage, helping them hide from both prey and larger predators on the grassy plains of the African Savanna.



The Little Rock Zoo supports the Cheetah Conservation Fund, which helps to protect this endangered species in the wild!

Want to Learn more? Check out these links and activities!

Cheetah Conservation Fund:

<https://cheetah.org/about/what-we-do/conservation/>  
<https://cheetah.org/kids/cheetah-facts/>

National Geographic:

<https://www.nationalgeographic.com/animals/mammals/c/cheetah/>  
<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/media/cheetah-speed/>  
<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/video/man-among-cheetahs/>

Other:

BBC Earth - Three Cheetah vs. An Ostrich: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pkhE14Rou-E>

African Wildlife Foundation: <https://www.awf.org/wildlife-conservation/cheetah>

San Diego Zoo Kids: <https://kids.sandiegozoo.org/animals/african-cheetah>

# Make a Cheetah Mask!

Cheetah have large forward facing eyes so they can spot their prey from long distances. To keep the sun from getting in their eyes, Cheetah's have black "tear stripes."

Color the cheetah mask and cut it out. As an adult for help cutting out the holes for your eyes. Then, glue your finished mask to a craft stick and show off your Cheetah spots!

