

## Ten cat facts

Which cat weighs as much as a motorbike? Watch this video to learn this and other fascinating facts about different kinds of cats.

### Tasks

Do the preparation task first. Then watch the video and do the exercises.

### Preparation task

Match the definitions (a–f) with the vocabulary (1–6).

#### Vocabulary

1. ..... a paw
2. ..... prey
3. ..... rare
4. ..... an athlete
5. ..... to lap up
6. ..... a feline
7. ..... mysterious
8. ..... a purr

#### Definition

- a. to drink using your tongue
- b. strange
- c. a person that is good at sport
- d. the sound a cat makes when it is content
- e. a cat
- f. an animal's foot
- g. not common
- h. an animal that is hunted and killed by another animal for food

### Task 1

Are the sentences true or false?

	<b>Answers</b>	
1. The biggest cat in the world is the Siberian tiger.	True	False
2. The eyes of a caracal are controlled by 20 muscles allowing them to pinpoint their prey.	True	False
3. The lion has the loudest roar.	True	False
4. Snow leopards can jump 9 metres high and 15 metres in length.	True	False
5. Cats have a toothbrush on their tongue, comb-like structures called keratinised papillae.	True	False
6. The clouded leopard has the biggest teeth of any cat relative to its size.	True	False
7. The Amur leopard is the rarest cat in the world.	True	False
8. The black panther is a type of cat.	True	False

**Task 2**

Put the words in order to make sentences.

1. to      prey.      catch      Cheetahs sprint
2. metres      Siberian tigers measure 3.15      length.      in
3. antennae.      as      act      The tufts of fur on a caracal's ears
4. A lion's roar can be heard up to      away.      kilometres      eight
5. nine      high.      Snow leopards can jump up to      metres
6. body length!      That's six      their      times
7. in      left      There are fewer than 35 Amur leopards      the wild.
8. to      This is      loss of habitat.      owing

**Discussion**

What other facts about cats do you know?

## Answers

### Preparation task

1. f
2. h
3. g
4. c
5. a
6. e
7. b
8. d

### Task 1

1. True
2. False
3. True
4. True
5. False
6. True
7. True
8. False

### Task 2

1. Cheetahs sprint to catch prey.
2. Siberian tigers measure 3.15 metres in length.
3. The tufts of fur on a caracal's ears act as antennae.
4. A lion's roar can be heard up to eight kilometres away.
5. Snow leopards can jump up to nine metres high.
6. That's six times their body length!
7. There are fewer than 35 Amur leopards left in the wild.
8. This is owing to loss of habitat.