

## Big Cat Race

Today we are taking a closer look at some of the big cats in our collection. We hope that you have a go and share your #MuseumMake with us.

Cheetahs are Earth's fastest land animal, they reach speeds of 75 mph. Leopards can run as fast as 35 mph and tigers can reach speeds of 30–40 mph, but only in short bursts.

You will need:

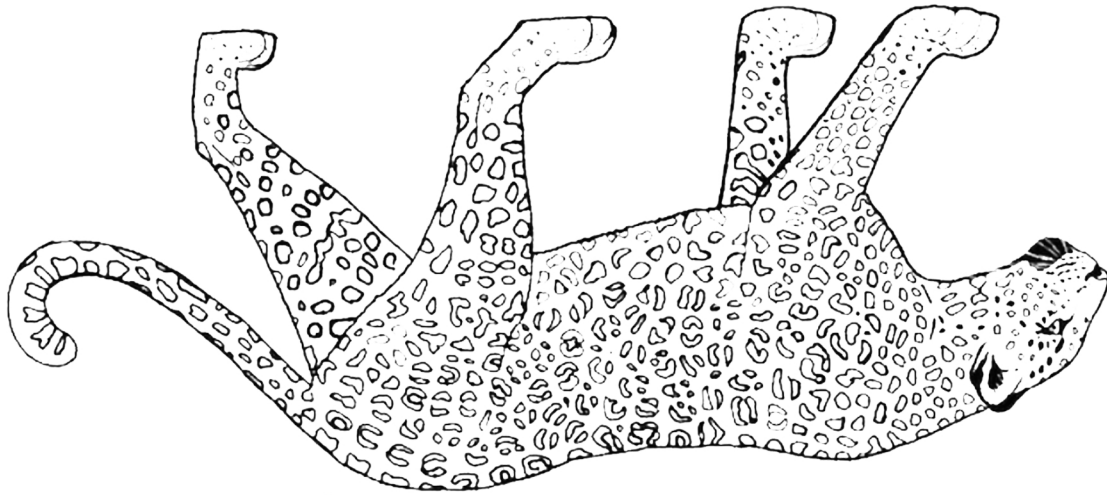
- Card tubes x3 · Print out of big cats · String · Glue/Tape
- Scissors · Card strips x3 · Decorating materials · Straws x3
- Balloons x3 · Chairs x2

1. Print out the big cats on card. Colour them in and then carefully cut them out.
2. Decorate the tubes and stick the animals on the sides. Cut a strip of card 29cm long by 2cm wide.
3. Position a straw along the length of a tube. Tape it into place at each end of the tube, leaving a gap for the card strip to go under the straw.
4. Feed the strip of card under the straw. This will be attached to the balloon later.
5. Tie one end of the string to a chair then feed the string through the straw. Tie the other end of the string to another chair making sure the string is at an angle.
6. Blow up the balloon and secure the end shut with a piece of string, so no air gets out. Attach the balloon to the tube by taping it to the card strip.
7. Remove the string from the end of the balloons and let your racers go.

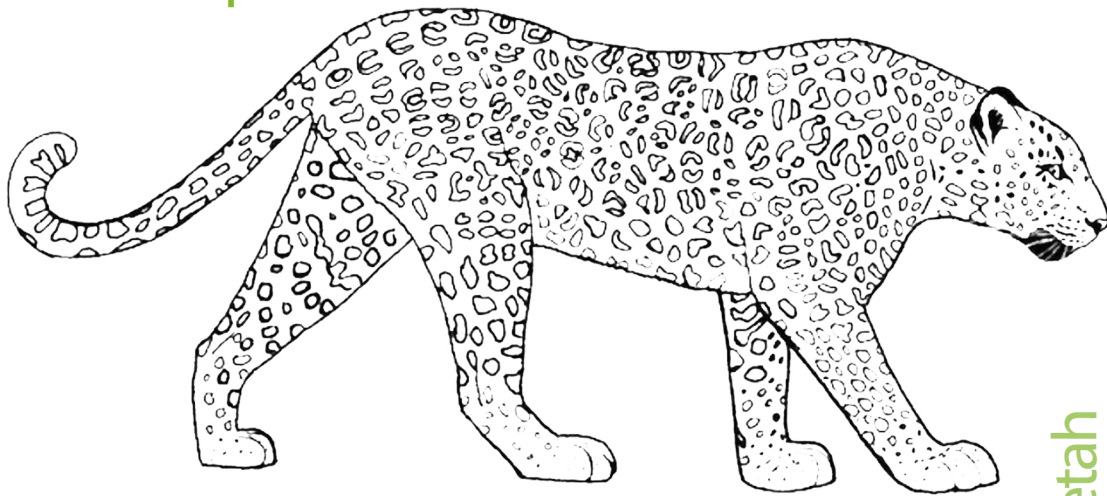
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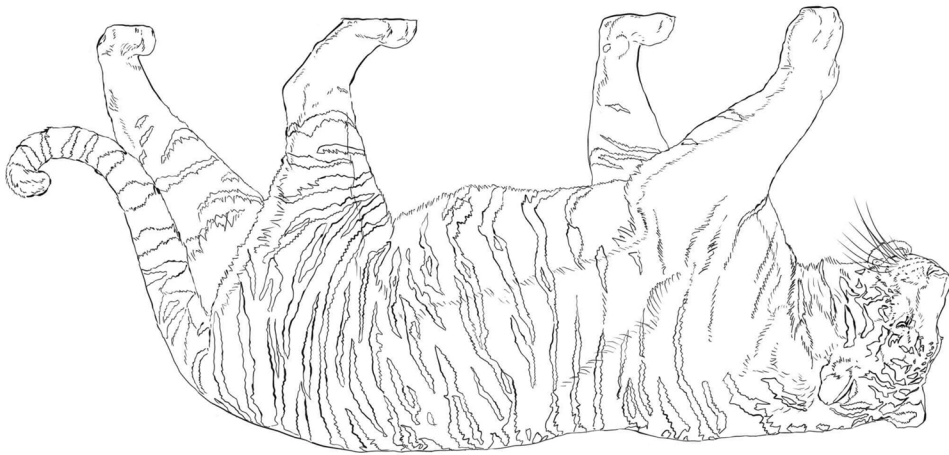
# Big Cat Racers print out



Leopard



Cheetah



Tiger

