

DO IT FOR YOUR PLANET

RECYCLED LION MASK

Powerful and majestic, the king of the beasts has no natural predators. But there are less African lions than there were three generations ago. As human populations grow and habitat is lost, lions have less space to live, meaning they sometimes prey on livestock and come into conflict with local people.

Lions are the most sociable of all big cats. They live in groups called prides, which are usually made up of their female relatives and their cubs.

DID YOU KNOW?
Lions' manes get darker as they get older and can indicate a healthier male. This helps females know which males are fitter.

Three-quarters of African lion populations are falling and there are only around 20,000 lions left in the wild.

Celebrate these amazing animals and have fun making a lion mask out of recycled materials!



What you need

- A collection of recycled cardboard packaging
- Colourful tissue paper
- Sugar paper
- PVA glue
- Strong glue or tape

45 mins | 6-10 yr olds | indoor fun

Instructions

1. Collect some recycled materials and packaging. Egg boxes, milk bottles and cereal boxes all work well.



2. Arrange your recycled materials until you have made a lion face. You can take time over this to make sure you are happy with your results. Use a picture of a lion to help you.

3. Stick down the lion features with strong glue and leave to dry.

4. Have fun decorating with pieces of colourful tissue and other craft materials. Make your lion mask as colourful as you like!

5. Cut strips of sugar paper and wrap them around a pencil. Hold them there for a minute and unfurl. Repeat this and then glue the curly strips to your lion mask along with some wool to create a dramatic mane. Roarsome!

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