# Jaguars in Jeopardy



We have adopted endangered animals in each class in school. Year 3 and Year 4 have adopted a jaguar. This half term our learning will be all about the jaguar and how we can help this animal in danger (jeopardy).

Each week you will have a learning grid with English tasks and a variety of other cross-curricular tasks to complete throughout the day to build your knowledge and understanding of the jaguar. The learning grids can be found on your class page on the school's website and Google Classroom. All resources to accompany the grid will be uploaded to Google Classroom. Please let your class teacher know if you are unable to access online learning or if you cannot print.

As with our previous guidance around home learning. You should aim to be completing an English and maths task in the morning and tasks from other areas of the curriculum in the afternoon. Maths tasks will be posted separately to this grid, however, we have tried to include some maths linked to our topic too. As we have emphasised previously, you need to decide upon the balance that works for you and your family when it comes to home learning. However, the more tasks you engage with, the more you will learn and the more skills you will acquire/practise across the curriculum.

Please try to send in/upload completed work to Google Classroom. We will be sharing examples of inspiring work on both the Class Dojo and Whole School Dojo pages. We cannot wait to start this exciting theme with you on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

If you are excited and inspired and what to find out about the Jaguar before Wednesday, then please use the website and YouTube links to get a head start!! We would love to hear your questions/ideas of what you would like to learn about the jaguar...

# Jaguars in Jeopardy Videos and Websites to get you started



**Videos** 

An Introduction to Jaguars: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qXsnmh98zmM">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qXsnmh98zmM</a>

Learn about the Jaguar. Big Cat Week: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tx6r7QX2iXk">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tx6r7QX2iXk</a>

Jaguars and Wildlife of Brazil's Pantanal: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EyDjg8TB3WM

Adult supervision needed: The Jaguar Story: <a href="http://www.thejaguarsstory.org/jaguars.html">http://www.thejaguarsstory.org/jaguars.html</a> (Adults be aware: 'The Jaguar Full Documentary' has a jaguar eating prey and 'tense music'. However, the video has some brilliant scenes of the jaguar moving and stalking. 'Brazil's Disappearing Wild Jaguars' video not suitable to watch for younger children)

## Websites

Top 10 Jaguar Facts: <a href="https://www.wwf.org.uk/learn/fascinating-facts/jaguars">https://www.wwf.org.uk/learn/fascinating-facts/jaguars</a>

Facts about the Jaguar: https://www.discoverwildlife.com/animal-facts/mammals/facts-about-jaguars/

Rainforest Alliance Species Profile-The Jaguar: <a href="https://www.rainforest-alliance.org/species/jaguar">https://www.rainforest-alliance.org/species/jaguar</a>

National Geographic Kids- Jaguar Facts: <a href="https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/general-animals/jaguar-facts/">https://www.natgeokids.com/uk/discover/animals/general-animals/jaguar-facts/</a>

Look on Google Classroom for a question sheet and a research sheet if you wish to start your learning.

# Week 1 (10/06/2020 to 19/06/2020): Fascinating Features - Getting to know the Jaguar's Appearance

An Introduction to Jaguars: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qXsnmh98zmM

# English The Beautiful. Powerful Jaguar

# Activity 1 Read the text 'The Beautiful Powerful Jaguar and answer the questions.

# Activity 2 Revisit the jaguar text and underline/ highlight/write down words the author uses which describe the jaguar's appearance.

# **Activity 3** Using the 'appearance word mat activity sheet', create a word mat to develop language to describe the jaguar's appearance.

# **Activity 4**

Using your word mat from yesterday Use a thesaurus (online/book) to find synonyms for the nouns and adjectives you thought of. Then create examples of similes and alliteration to describe the jaguar - Add these to your word mat or onto a separate piece of paper.

## **Activity 5**

Over the next couple of weeks, we are going to be making an information book about Jaguars. Each week you will be writing a paragraph to go onto the book. Please note, it may not be in an 'English' activity, but through Geography or Science. This week you need to write the 'Fascinating Features' page. Write 5 sentences about the jaguar's appearance including information about their coat, size and body parts/facial features.

#### Maths



#### How big is a jaguar?

Male jaguars can be up to 170cm long and their tails can stretch up to 80 cm long! They weigh between 45kg and 113kg and larger jaguars in Brazil can reach 120kg in weight. **Task:** Using materials of your choice, create a to scale drawing, image, representation of the size of a jaguar.

#### Science



#### **Terrifying Teeth**

Jaguar close up: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EwlFkzBUoN4

What type of teeth do we have? Why do we need different types of teeth? How are jaguar's teeth different from human teeth? Why might they need to be different? **Task:** Read the information about teeth and complete the questions. There are videos and interactive games to help you too!

Want to take this activity further? Using plastercine/play dough or salt dough, make a model of a human jaw.

Teeth: How they Help Animals Video: https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/class-clips-video/science-ks2-teeth-how-they-help-animals-eat/zr8ygwx

Teeth functions Video and Game: https://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/z27kng8/articles/zsp76yc

## Geography/ Computing



Where could animals live in your local area?

Task: With an adult, Take pictures of places animals could live in your garden and in your immediate local area. Using digimaps, add your pictures to a map to show the class where animal homes could be located. Make sure your picture labels tell the class which animal/type of animal home/habitat we are looking at.

https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/resources/scavengerhunt/ Don't have a computer? Create your own map of your garden/local area/park and draw/add your pictures.

# Art/DT/Computing



#### **Creative Coats**

Jaguar's coats are gale gold to rich rusty red in colour. They have circular markings with smaller black spots called 'rosettes'

**Task:** Can you recreate a jaguar's markings using materials of your choice?

**Challenge:** Can you create a pattern/picture using the jaguar's markings as inspiration?

Challenge 2: Can you use 'Paint' or 'Purple Mash' to create a pattern/picture using the jaguar's markings as inspiration?

#### Music



#### ROOOAAARRR

A jaguar's call is called a 'saw' because it sounds like sawing wood in one direction.

Task: Can you recreate different animal noises using your voice and objects around your house/garden? Record the ones you make. Perhaps the rest of the class can guess the animals. **Challenge:** Create a sequence/composition of these sounds to create 'animal music' and record your 'song'.

Big Cat Sounds: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bFCv02IGtn4 Wild Animal Sounds: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14LDUtA7G84

#### **PSHE**



### What makes you unique?

Jaguars have features that are unique. What makes you unique?

Task: Draw a picture of yourself and write the things that make you special or unique around the outside of your picture.



#### **Superior Swimmers and Class Climbers**

Jaguars are excellent swimmers and climbers. These are important skills for them to have so that they have an advantage when catching their prey.

Task: Find out about other animals or humans with these skills, taking your own notes and make a short fact file.

Jaguar Orphans go for a swim: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LOJ1Zf8ZtwU Jaguar Climbing a tree: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7si0se7GhLU

Adult may wish to watch first - Jaguar hunts crocodile: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5NrfnUfzsic