



Lions live in small to large-sized groups called *prides*. A pride may have as few as four lions, or as many as thirty. Most of the lions in a group are females with one or two males. Male cubs that grow up are sent out of the pride by the older males. Some do not even live in prides, and just wander around by themselves as *nomads*. Lions are one of the most social cats though, and usually like spending time with other lions.

The lion is a vulnerable species, which means there are not many lions in the wild, and it is possible that they could go *extinct* someday. There may be no more lions left in the wild. This is because more and more of their habitat is being used for humans, and the lions have less places to go. Some people also hunt lions, even though it is against the law. Many lions are also put in zoos so people can learn about them and watch them up close. A lot of people think that wild animals should be in their normal habitat and not kept in a zoo away from their real home. Lions that don't live in the wild are called *captive*.



11. ___ A female lion is called a lioness.
12. ___ A female lion can only have one cub at a time.
13. ___ Only male lions have manes.
14. ___ Female lions have bigger paws.
15. ___ A pride is a group of lions that live together.
16. ___ Lions are social animals that like living with other lions.
17. ___ Lions are in danger of becoming extinct.

Draw a line matching the word to the answer that matches.

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| 18. grassland | girl |
| 19. forest | nomad |
| 20. carnivore | zebra, buffalo, and warthogs |
| 21. female | lions that don't live in the wild |
| 22. male | wild boars and nilgai |
| 23. African lions hunt | an animal that eats meat |
| 24. Asian lions hunt | boy |
| 25. male lions that live alone | areas covered in trees and plants |
| 26. captive | large areas covered in grass with very little trees |

