

Reading Fun



Cats



Animal reading pack

Some activities to do with your child at home—keep the sessions short and fun.no need to rush through the pack!

The text

Read WITH your child to begin with , then encourage your child to read on his/her own as far as possible...

If the text is too difficult, get your child to "be the teacher" , that is to point to the words as YOU read.

Stop after each sentence and THINK of the meaning. Explain new words.

Ask some questions about the text an get your child to ask you questions. (This isn't always easy)

Re- read the text more than once, on different days. Make it fun....use silly voices!

More activities

- Look for information online e.g Fun animal facts for kids"; youtube animal clips etc
- There are lots of animal craft ideas online—e.g origami, colour by numbers, how to draw cartoon animals etc
- Create a fact poster about the animal or a project scrapbook
- Memory games— e.g "I went on safari and saw....."

Cats



Cats live all over the world. lots of people keep them as pets.

Cats come in all colours and sizes.

Cats have soft fur and long whiskers.

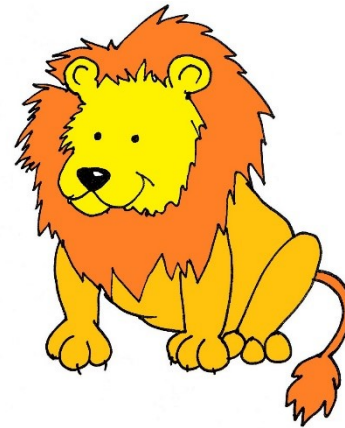
Sleeping in a warm place is what cats like to do for most of the day!

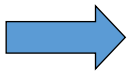
Cats are **CARNIVORES** ; this means that they mainly eat meat.

Cats hunt for mice and birds in the garden.

Did you know ...?

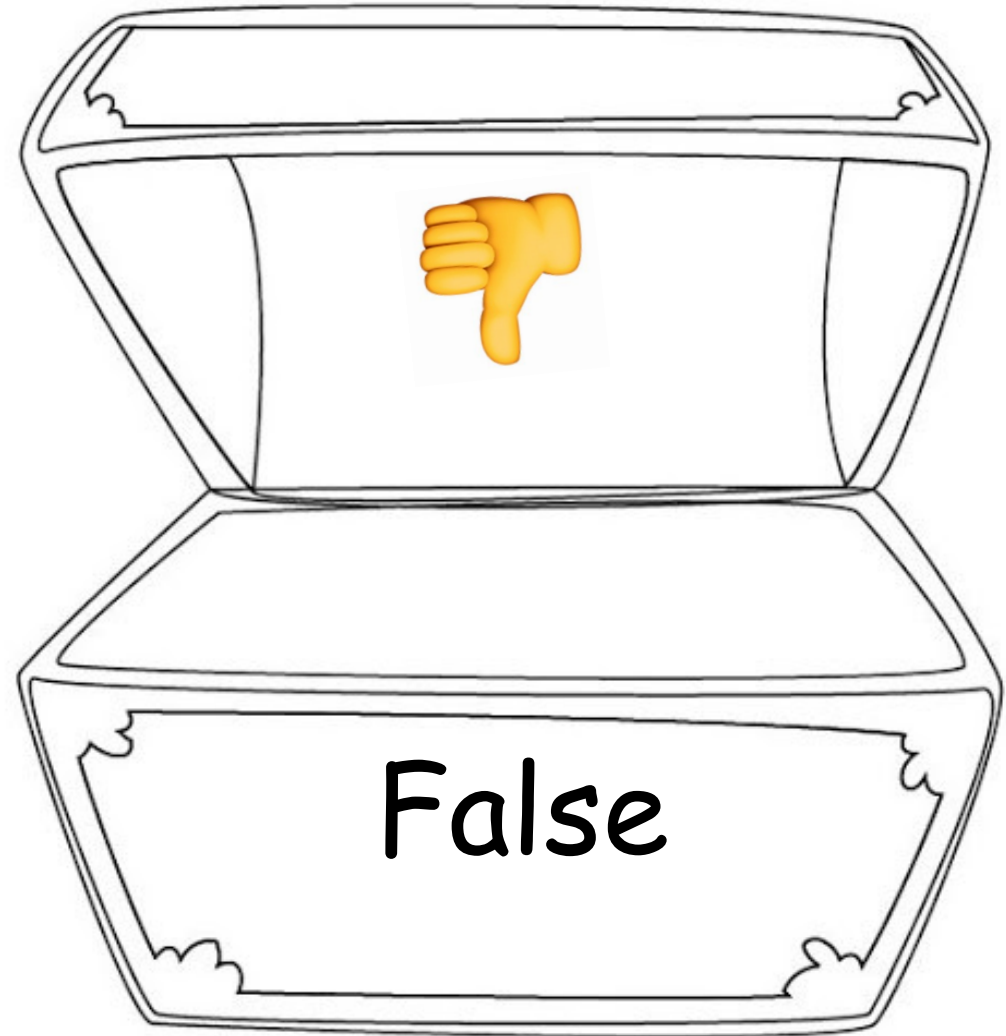
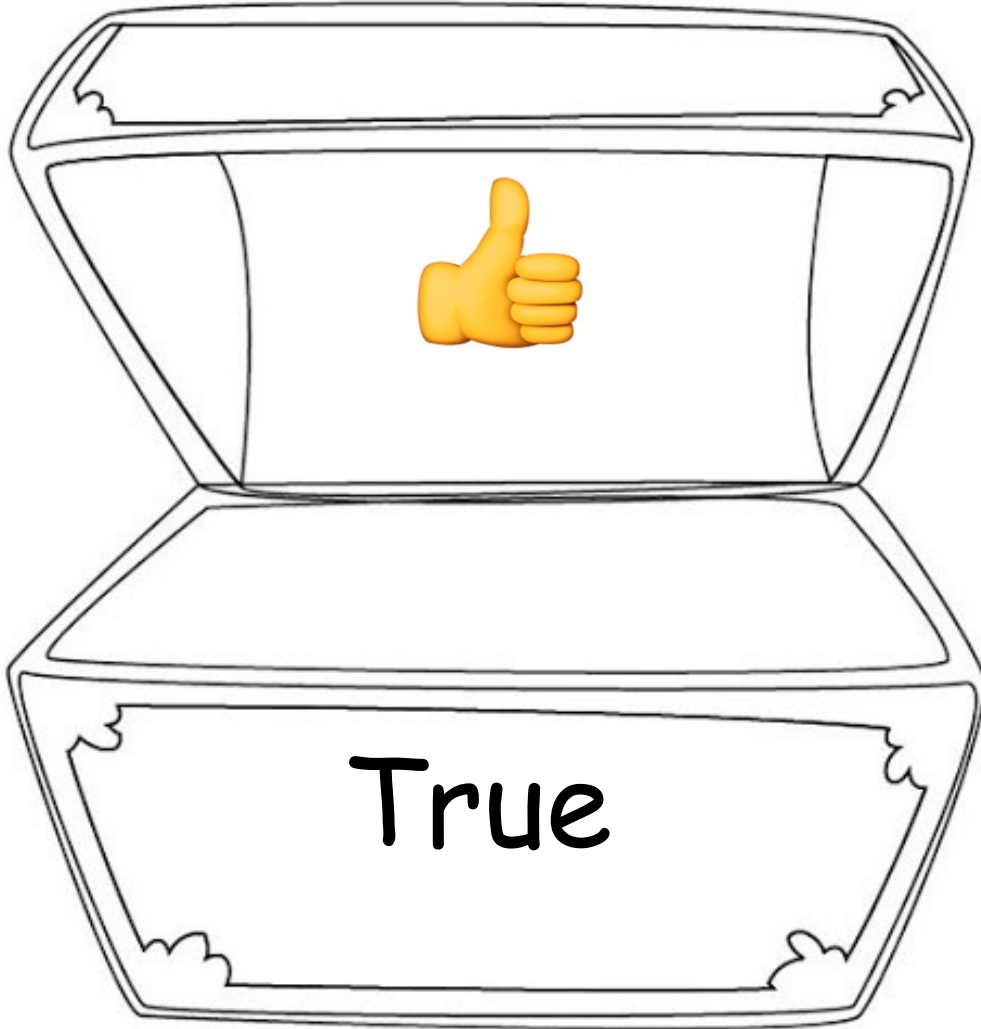
- Cats are related to tigers and lions.
- Cats wash themselves often.
- They can see well in the dark.
- Cats have very sharp teeth so that they can rip and chew meat.





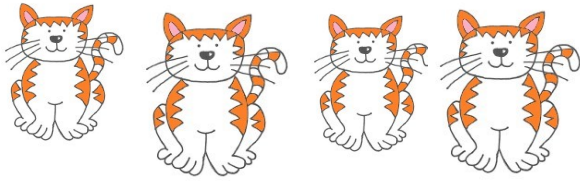
True or false? cut out the cards and read them with your child. Place the card in the correct treasure chest.

Cats eat meat.	Cats eat paper.	The cat is a pet.
The lion belongs to the same family as the cat.	The dog belongs to the same family as the cat.	Cats live all over the world.
Cats only live in Africa.	Cats like being in cold places.	Cats spend a lot of the day sleeping.
Cats like being in warm places.	Cats eat mainly meat.	Cats hunt smaller animals.



→ Understanding words. Use these cards to play pairs (print 2 pages). Or place the cards face down and see if your child can remember them in the correct order.

cats



soft



pets



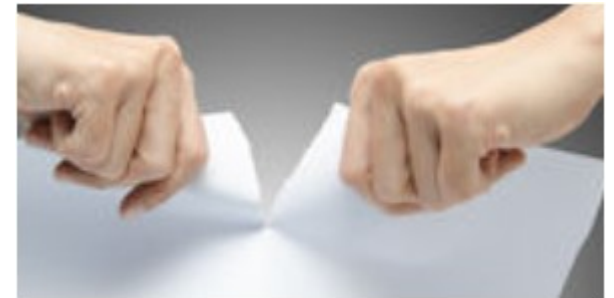
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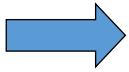


darkness



rip





Here is a mind map to help your child if she or he wants to write about cats. If your child finds writing difficult, s/he can use pictures instead. The aim is to help your child plan his/ her writing.

What is it?

animal / mammal

What other animals are like cats?

Where do they live?

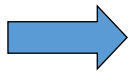
What else do you know about cats?



What do they have?
e.g tail, sharp teeth

What can they do?

What do they eat?



Read the words first. Think of sentences containing the words. Can your child create a wordsearch for you?

c	a	t	s	h	u	n	t	f	e
r	i	p	o	d	n	v	e	u	c
l	a	h	f	b	z	s	s	r	t
f	k	a	t	f	d	y	y	t	u
s	k	i	o	w	d	g	d	c	j
p	e	t	d	d	i	c	f	d	x
j	t	t	n	w	w	q	a	p	r
u	d	a	r	k	n	e	s	s	z
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fur

pet

rip

darkness

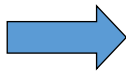
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related

hunt

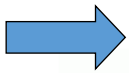
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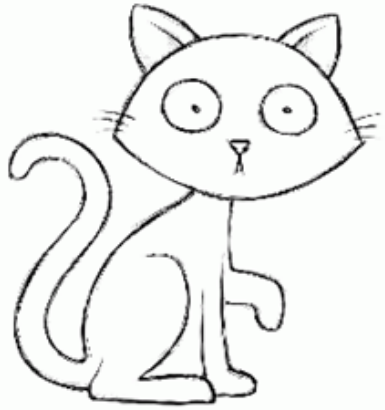


Cut out and shuffle the cards. Build sentences and see if they make sense!

1 Cats	2 eat	3 meat.
1 Cats	2 like	3 warm places.
1 Cats	2 live	3 all over the world.
1 Cats	2 are related to	3 lions and tigers.
1 Cats	2 hunt	3 mice and birds.



Remember to write in capital letters!

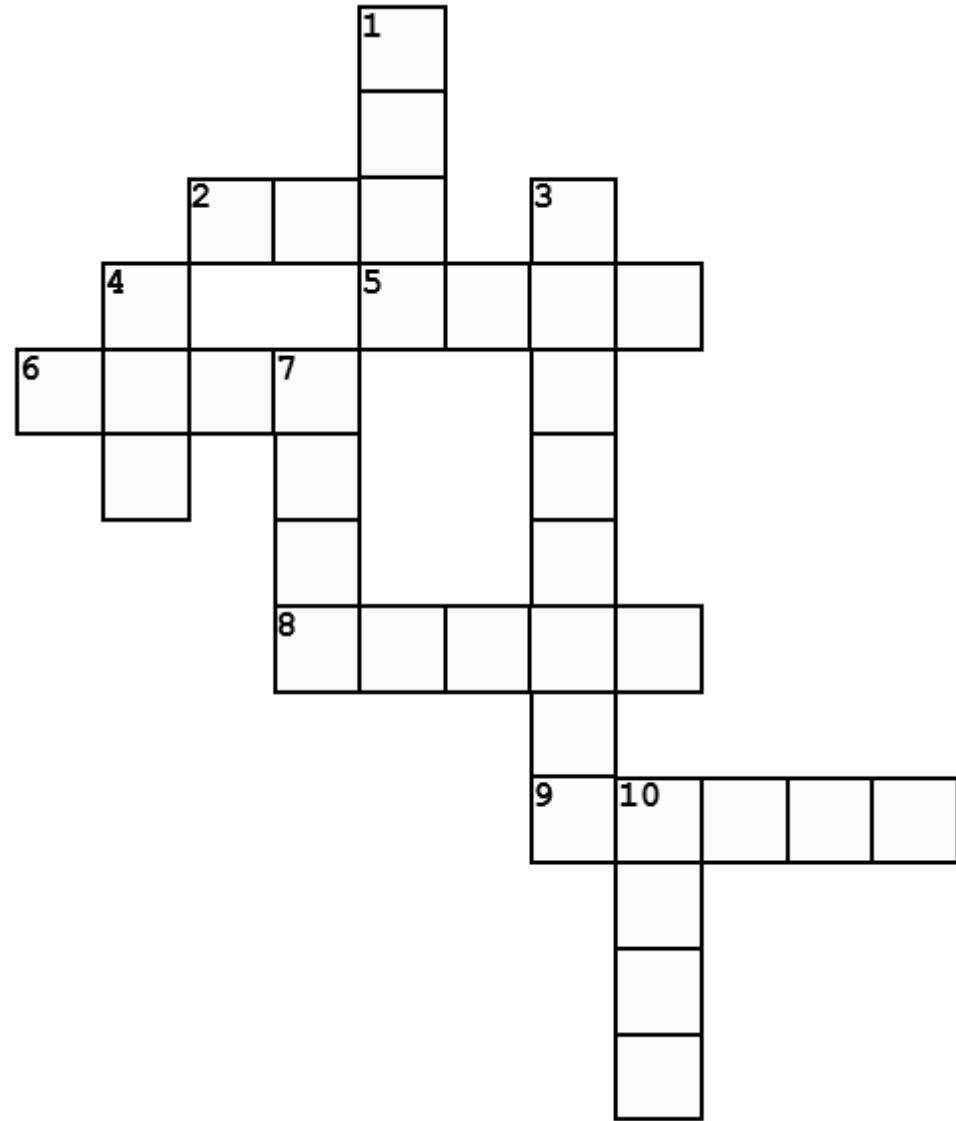


Across

- 2. A CAT'S HAIR
- 5. ALL CATS EAT THIS
- 6. CATS DO THIS TO KEEP CLEAN
- 8. A BIG, DANGEROUS CAT
- 9. CATS DO A LOT OF THIS

Down

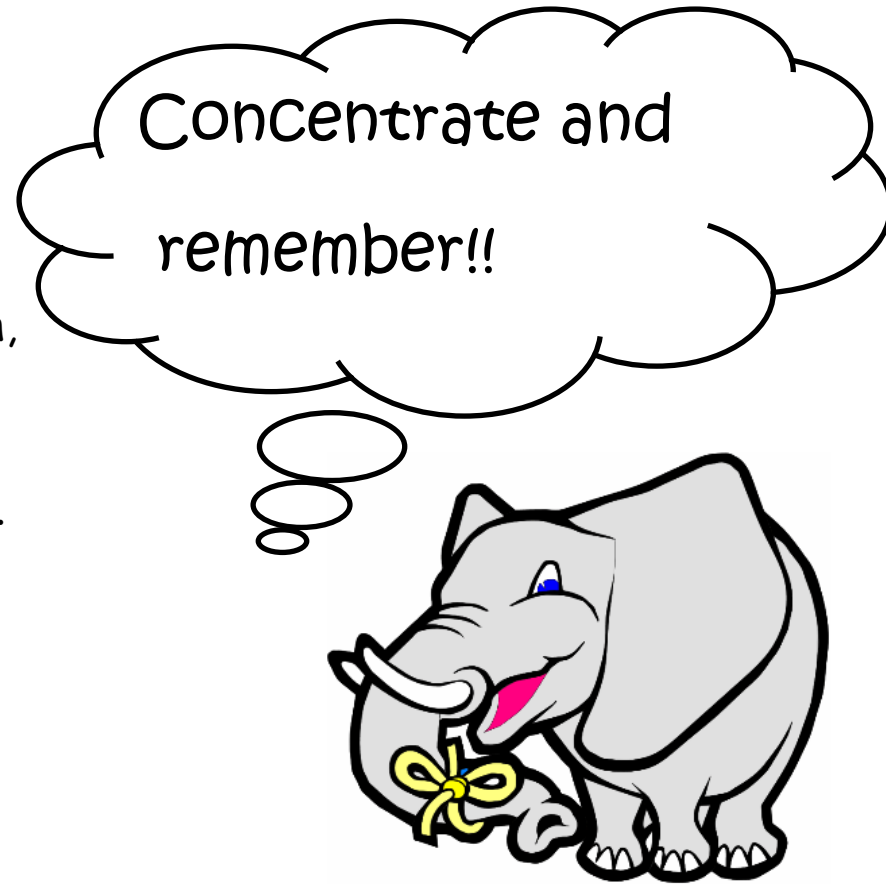
- 1. OPPOSITE OF COOL
- 3. THE OPPOSITE OF LIGHT
- 4. A FURRY MAMMAL
- 7. WHAT ANIMALS DO TO GET FOOD
- 10. THE KING OF THE JUNGLE'



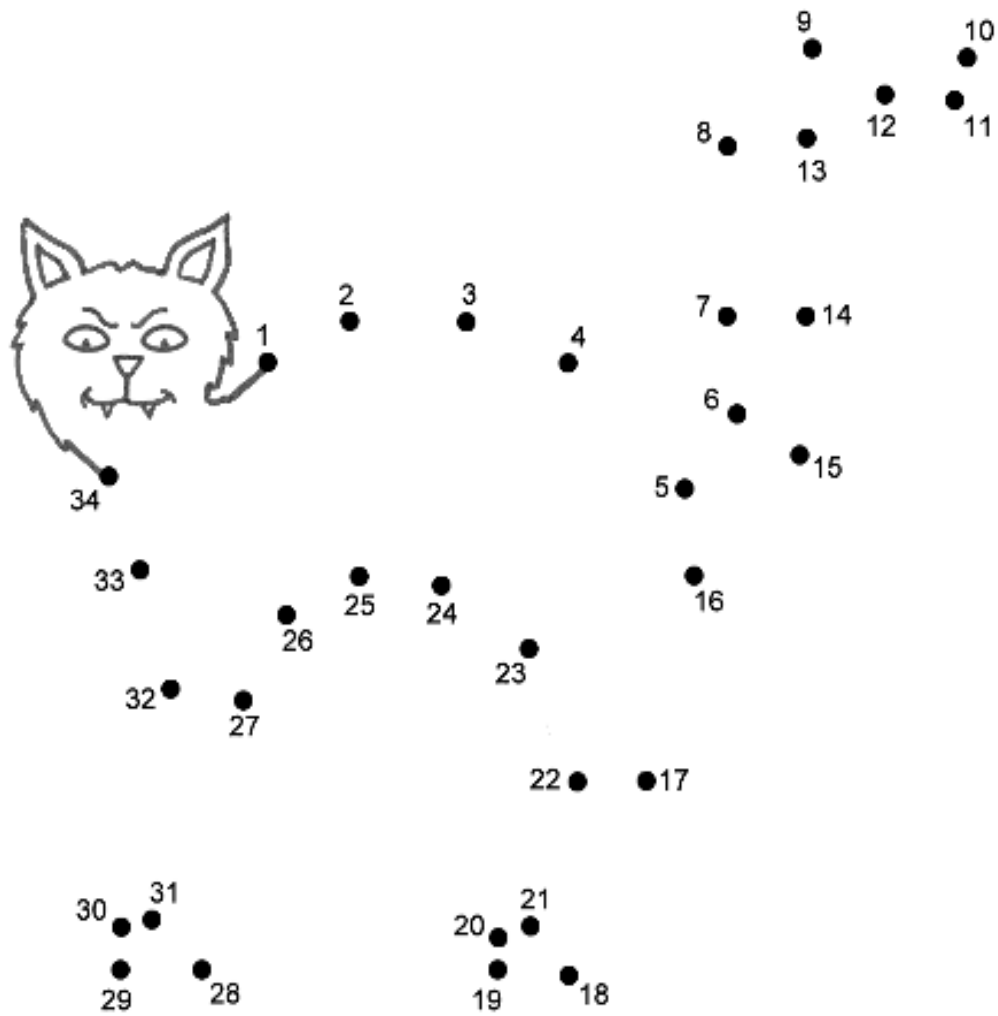
LION	TIGER	CAT	HUNT	FUR	MEAT	SLEEP	WARM	DARKNESS
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Challenge! Can you learn this off by heart?

Tattoo was the mother of Pinkie Purr,
A little black nothing of feet and fur;
And by-an.d-by, when his eyes came through,
He saw his mother, the big Tattoo.
And all that he learned he learned from her.
"I'll ask my mother," says Pinkie Purr



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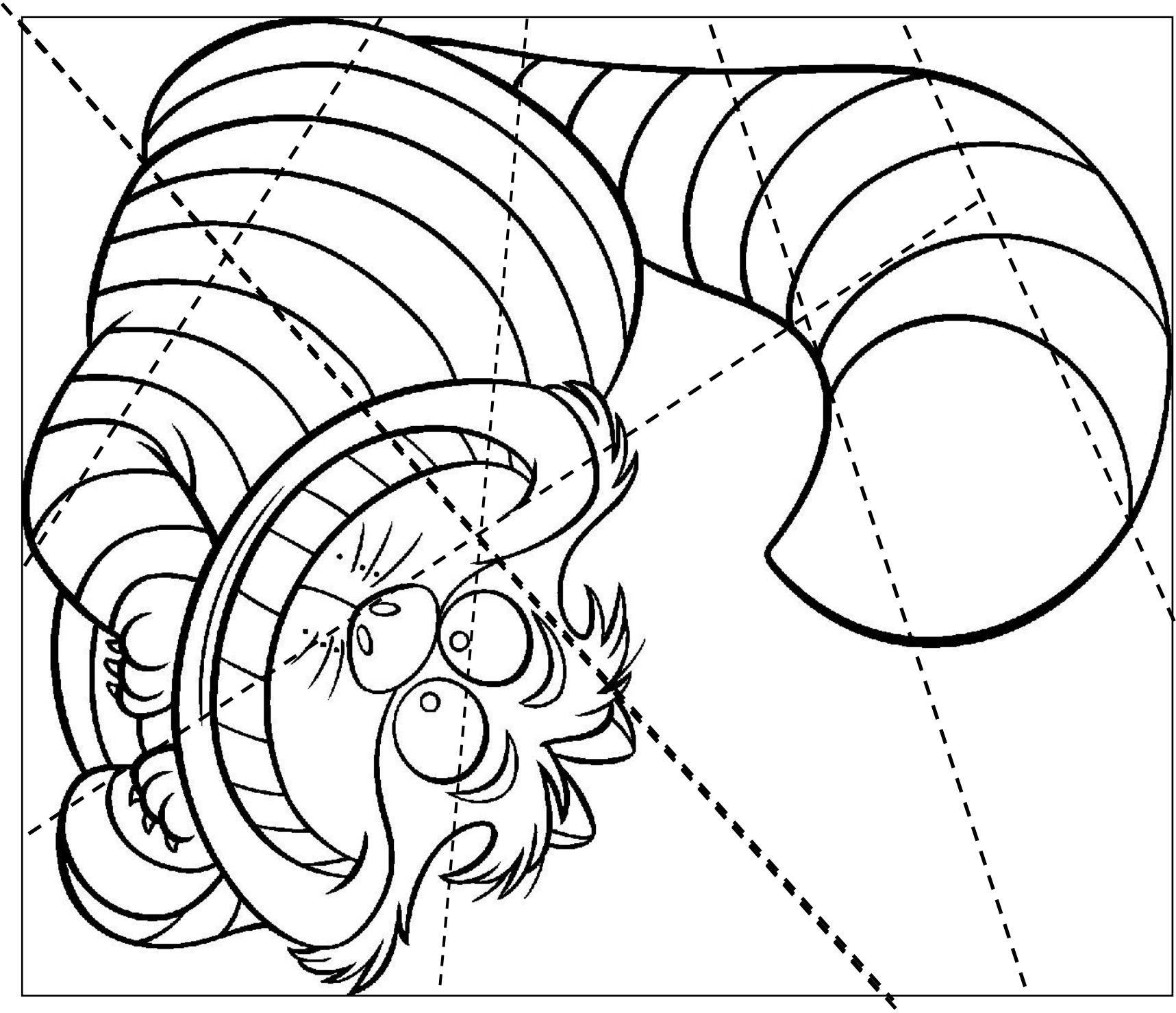






Jigsaw

cutting and pasting skills



CYMESUREDD / SYMMETRY— Finish the picture

Right -handed

Left -handed



CAT
MASK

