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Cheetahs

The cheetah is the fastest land animal on earth and can reach speeds of up to 70 mph.



They have long legs and special pads for gripping the ground. They use their long tail to balance.

Cheetahs have very good eyesight. They hunt for prey such as gazelles and impalas but will also eat small mammals and birds.

Cheetahs live in Africa. They like grasslands and deserts. They also live in mountainous areas too.

A female cheetah will usually have a litter of 3 – 5 cubs and stays with them for about two years. She teaches them how to hunt and how to hide from bigger animals.

There are about 12,000 cheetahs that remain in the wild in Africa.

Cheetahs have short fur. Their coats are tan with black spots.

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Answer the following questions:

1. Are cheetahs the fastest animal on land?

2. How fast can they run?

3. What part of a cheetah helps it to balance?

4. Where do cheetahs live?

5. How many cubs does a female cheetah have?

a 1 - 2

c 3 - 5

b 5 - 8

d 8 - 10

6. What does a female cheetah teach her cubs?

7. How many cheetahs are left in Africa?

8. Do cheetahs have short or thick fur?
