

LION MASK

Masks are a great way to promote imaginative play. Pretend you are a lion and lets hear your best roar!

SUPPLIES



Yellow and Brown craft paint, paintbrush, paint palette, glue stick, pen or pencil, sharpie, scissors, tape, paper plate, three pipe cleaners, three pieces of construction paper (yellow, orange, or brown work well)

PROCEDURE



- 1) Draw the “u” shape you see in the first picture above on the back of your paper plate.
- 2) Cut the “u” shape out carefully and then cut it in half. These will be your ears.
- 3) Glue your ears onto the back of the plate so they stick up at the top.
- 4) Paint the entire mask yellow and let it dry.
- 5) To create more detail, add some brown paint to the ears and nose. Make sure to let the paint dry.



- 6) Cut the three pieces of construction paper into strips. These will be used to create the mane.
- 7) Glue the construction paper strips onto the back of the mask so they pop out all around.
- 8) Tape the three pipe cleaners on the back of the nose and pull the ends to the front of the mask.
- 9) Use a sharpie to create any other details you'd like such as nostrils on the nose.

SCIENCE



One of the key defining characteristics of a male African lion is the long hair that grows around his neck, otherwise known as a mane. Male African lions grow manes in many different sizes and colors. Female lions tend to be attracted to the male with the largest and darkest mane. When a lion has a large mane, it helps him look larger than he actually is, which then helps him intimidate his opponets.