



Lesson Plan Summary

Magic Tree House Fact Tracker: *Snow Leopards and Other Wild Cats*

“A Deck of Cards for a Clowder of Cats”

Activity using *Sunlight on the Snow Leopard*

EACH STUDENT WILL:	COMMON CORE STANDARDS ADDRESSED:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Read and discuss the <i>Snow Leopards and Other Wild Cats</i> Fact Tracker.• Use the matching cards to learn the common versions of collective nouns for wild cats and of other animals.	<p>READING:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• KEY IDEAS AND DETAILS (RI1.1, RI2.1, RI3.1, RI4.1) Ask and answer such questions as <i>who, what, where, when, why</i> and <i>how</i> to demonstrate understanding of key details in a text, (RI2.1)• RANGE OF READING AND LEVEL OF TEXT COMPLEXITY. (RI3.10) Read and comprehend informational texts, including history/social studies, science, and technical texts at the high end of the grades 2-3 text complexity band independently and proficiently. <p>LANGUAGE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• VOCABULARY ACQUISITION AND USE (L3.4.a) Use sentence-level context as to the meaning of a word or phrase.• CONVENTIONS of STANDARD ENGLISH (L.2.1) Demonstrate command of the conventions of standard English grammar and usage when writing or speaking. a. Use collective nouns (e.g., group).

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Collective Nouns in the Animal Kingdom (a short list!)



This lesson activity includes vocabulary cards for matching the common collective noun with the animal group. A more advanced extension activity includes the use of cards in a memory or “concentration” game. Complete with answer keys, and a “Word Bank” to aide with differentiation of instruction.

MATERIALS:

- Copies of Magic Tree House *Snow Leopards and Other Wild Cats* Fact Tracker (pages 28-29)
- Printable card sets of collective nouns for animals (Appendix)
- Card Set (Make a copy) to use as a key for self-correcting activity (Appendix)
- Optional resource: **14 Funny and Weird Collective Nouns from the English Language.**
<https://www.jellyfish.com/en-gb/training/blog/collective-nouns>

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Appendix

- Collective noun “cut-apart” cards for Big Cats (With self-correcting edge)
- Collective noun “cut-apart” cards for other animals

Collective nouns cut apart cards for Big Cats: Note... Snow leopards are the only Big Cats without a collective noun!
Cards can be copied again and cut straight down the middle for more of a challenge.

lions

pride

tigers

streak

leopards

leap

jaguars

shadow

kittens

litter

Collective Nouns for other animals. Note: Make a copy as a "key" before cutting up the cards.

rattlesnakes

rhumba

clams

bed

sharks

shiver

rhinos

crash

apes

troop

Collective Nouns for other animals. Note: Make a copy as a "key" before cutting up the cards.

hamsters

horde

cobras

quiver

coyotes

pack

crows

murder

fish

school