



CHASING CHEETAHS WITH BELLA

In this fun activity, learn cool facts about cheetahs and complete the word search puzzle by looking for the key terms capitalized in each of the facts you learn!

Bella is a special Dream Seeker doll whose dream is for all creatures to be treated with kindness and love.

One of the creatures Bella loves the most are cheetahs, but she needs your help finding them.



First, here are some fun cheetah facts to chew on:

CHEETAHS are considered one of the “big cats” along with tigers, lions, leopards, jaguars, and cougars.

Their scientific name is **ACINONYX JUBATUS** and they are classified as **MAMMALS**, which means they’re warm-blooded, have backbones, hair, and feed their babies with milk.

Cheetahs are the **FASTEST** mammals on land, running up to 60 or even 70 miles (97 or 113 kilometers) an hour!

Cheetahs may look **FIERCE** and run fast, but they sound as quiet as a housecat. Instead of roaring, cheetahs **PURR**.

Cheetahs have **SPOTS** on their coat that help them **CAMOUFLAGE** in the tall grasses of Africa and Asia. Their spots aren’t just in their fur. Their skin has black spots too!

They have a flexible **SPINE** that stretches when they run. Their long legs help them race fast, and their flat **TAIL** helps them stay balanced and change direction.

Cheetahs only need to drink **WATER** once every three or four days.

The cheetah population is getting smaller and smaller, which is why animal **CONSERVATIONISTS** are working so hard to protect them. We don’t want these beautiful creatures to go **EXTINCT!**





OK! Now let's join Bella on her cheetah chase.
Find the CAPITALIZED words in this cheetah word search.

P	U	R	C	M	A	M	M	A	L	S	P	C	X	E	V
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W	X	T	A	F	A	S	M	M	A	O	W	A	T	O	T
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- CHEETAH
- MAMMALS
- PURR
- FIERCE
- SPOTS
- FASTEST
- SPINE
- TAIL
- WATER
- EXTINCT
- CAMOUFLAGE
- ACINONYX JUBATUS
- CONSERVATIONISTS

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“IF YOU TREAT ANIMALS HOW YOU WANT TO BE TREATED, YOU'RE A LOT BETTER OFF. I LOVE THEM VERY MUCH. ALL ANIMALS BIG AND SMALL.”

- Bindi Irwin

