

Ideas under the topic can include:

KEY STAGE 1:

- Draw one of the big cats, including its teeth, ears, camouflage colours, feet and tail. Discuss the reason behind his camouflage markings for hunting his prey.
- Watch how the cats move. List as many of their movements as possible. What would make them run very fast?
- Mark out on the ground and on a tree, how high and long the big cats can jump and compare this to humans.

KEY STAGE 2:

- Locate on a world map the origins of the Big Cats at Paradise Wildlife Park.
- Compose a fact file on everything that can be found out about big cats. Include: habitat, life span, size, weight, how fast they can move, their favourite food, the reason for their camouflage coats, scents and how far they can jump.
- Find out why it's so important for Tiger's not to lose their teeth! How much meat do they eat a day?
- Research in detail one of the five species of Tiger.
- Discuss the term "Endangered Species". Research and discuss the reasons that have force some cats to be on the endangered list.
- Create posters to educate others about the problem of endangered species.
- Use different sources to investigate the Latin names for all wild cats. Produce a quiz including various facts about the Big Cats.

To support the topic of "Wildlife Senses", Paradise Wildlife Park has to offer:

1. 2 huge Tigers, Lion, Lioness, 2 Snow Leopards, Jaguar, Cheetah and a selection of small cats.
2. A Big Cat Talk in "Big Cat Territory".
3. Various viewing platforms to look at the cats up close!
4. Highly knowledgeable and trained staff on hand to answer any questions about big cats!
5. A short video to be viewed during your visit, showing a great project set up by Paradise Wildlife Park to help the Big Cats on the border of Serengeti National Park. The on-going project is called "Project Life Lion", which aimed at vaccinating the dog population there against canine distemper, to stop the spread of this disease to the wild carnivores, including Lions.