



Why are you and your friends called Wolf Cubs? The idea comes from *The Jungle Book*, by Rudyard Kipling. It's a book of stories about the adventures of Mowgli and the wolf cubs.

Mowgli was a young boy who lived in a village in India. One night, a tiger named Shere Khan attacked some villagers around a woodsman's fire and Mowgli escaped into the jungle. Mowgli found a family of wolves living in a cave, crawled in, and soon curled up with the wolf cubs.

Raksha, the mother wolf, liked the little boy. She wanted the other wolves to let her adopt him, but Shere Khan demanded that the wolves give him Mowgli to eat. Raksha was ready to fight to keep Mowgli as her son. Then Bagheera, the black panther, and Baloo, the wise old bear, persuaded Akela, the chief of the wolf pack, to let Mowgli become a member of the pack.

Mowgli grew up with the wolves. Akela and the other old wolves, along with Bagheera and Baloo taught Mowgli how to live in the jungle and hunt with the pack. With their help, he became wise in jungle lore.



In a real pack, the old wolves take very good care of the cubs. Just like puppies, wolf cubs are very playful and like to jump and run and tumble all the time. The old wolves teach them how to find food and shelter and look after themselves.

Most important, the old wolves teach the cubs how to work together. Wolves hardly ever hunt by themselves. Instead, the wolf pack hunts as a team. When they catch their food, they share it with each other.

The old wolves in your Cub pack have jungle names like Akela, Baloo and Bagheera. They will help you learn how to look after yourself and other people, too.

When I joined the pack, my leaders had these jungle names.

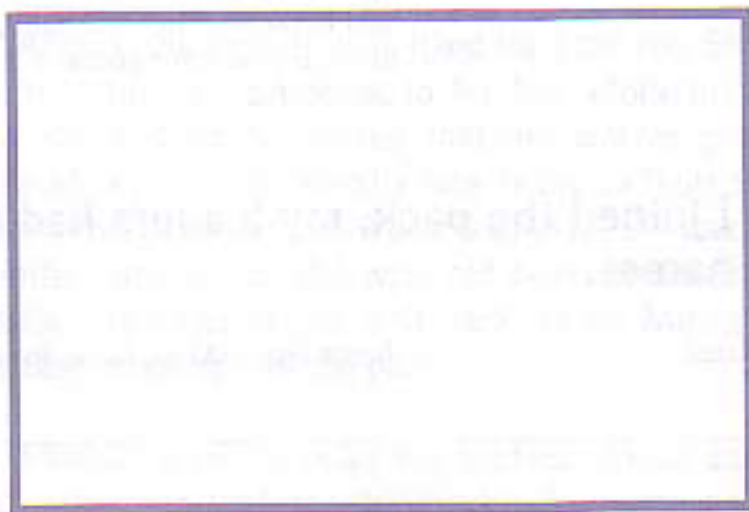
Leader's Name

Jungle Name (Akela, Baloo, Raksha, etc.)

Your leaders may even help you pretend to be the animals found in *The Jungle Book*. You can be Bagheera, the black panther, quietly stalking his prey until he pounces with a ROAR. Ask Akela or one of the other Cubs to show you how.

Some songs, plays and jungle dances I did as a Cub:

Here's a picture of a jungle character I really like.



This is what I learned about my favourite *Jungle Book* character:

Word Search



T	R	P	P	R	O	A	T	K	P	A	J	H	E	E	T	O	A
O	A	B	E	A	R	L	I	T	I	E	P	A	L	O	E	R	C
B	S	C	U	N	N	B	L	I	N	D	I	A	O	U	E	A	U
K	H	L	O	O	T	L	R	O	N	O	N	L	C	A	B	K	O
I	A	W	O	L	F	H	K	B	E	D	S	O	O	K	A	S	T
P	L	B	L	A	E	P	O	O	O	M	O	W	I	H	K	H	E
L	M	L	E	A	D	A	I	R	A	K	I	A	K	E	L	A	I
O	O	B	O	T	L	N	R	O	A	R	E	R	N	E	N	I	B
N	T	O	O	I	O	B	O	L	F	B	O	O	J	R	T	B	A
B	E	E	O	N	R	L	A	U	E	E	N	A	U	A	P	A	P
M	O	W	D	I	A	E	T	G	I	L	I	O	N	U	A	K	A
O	E	O	W	B	E	A	N	G	U	N	G	L	G	E	G	S	N
W	O	L	D	R	O	I	N	D	R	B	A	K	L	I	T	H	T
G	U	N	G	L	L	E	I	O	B	A	G	H	E	E	R	A	H
L	N	E	N	P	B	W	O	L	B	O	C	U	B	T	B	A	E
I	K	A	I	E	E	C	U	B	S	I	E	O	C	U	P	S	R
A	G	K	I	P	A	K	J	U	N	B	L	E	A	D	E	R	N



BALOO

INDIA

BAGHEERA

WOLF

MOWGLI

ROAR

AKELA

KIPLING

BEAR

RAKSHA

CUBS

PACK

JUNGLE

PANTHER

LEADER