



Global Tiger Day Activity Guide

Celebrating India's Tigers through Learning, Creativity and Conservation Action

A. About this guide

Global Tiger Day is a chance to celebrate one of India's most iconic species and help young learners discover the fascinating world of tigers, their habitats, and the efforts that go into protecting them.

This guide brings together a collection of engaging resources from One Planet Academy, along with activity ideas that WWF-India state teams can use to plan Global Tiger Day sessions with schools, communities, and young nature enthusiasts.

The resources and activities have been suggested to be flexible and can be mixed and matched based on:

- Age group of participants
- Number of students and group size
- Venue and available space
- Time available
- Format of engagement (classroom session, community event, hands-on activity, etc.)

You can select a combination of activities that best suits their context. For example:

- A **30-minute session with younger students** could combine *The Jungle Gang Meets the Tiger* video, a tiger quiz and a mask-making activity.
- A **60-minute session with older students** could include *A Kingdom Reclaimed*, a Tiger Scavenger Hunt, and a discussion-based activity on tiger conservation.

This guide aims to support teams in creating meaningful and interactive experiences that inspire curiosity, appreciation and a deeper connection with tigers and the ecosystems they call home.

B. Resources from One Planet Academy (OPA)

Resource (Hyperlinked)	Format	Remarks
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<u>The Big Cats of India</u>	Self-paced course	A comprehensive introduction to India's big cats, including their characteristics, behaviours, adaptations, ecological importance, threats, and conservation. Selected videos, quizzes, and handouts from the course can support deeper learning sessions.
A Kingdom Reclaimed • <u>English</u> • <u>Hindi</u> • <u>Marathi</u> • <u>Assamese</u> • <u>Tamil</u>	Short film	A conservation success story from Panna Tiger Reserve, highlighting how dedicated conservation efforts helped restore tiger populations. Suitable for older students.
<u>The Jungle Gang Meets the Tiger</u>	Animated video	A child-friendly journey with the Jungle Gang as they explore Central India and meet a tiger. Suitable for younger learners.
<u>Tiger Corridor Game</u>	Interactive game	Students help Varsha and Prithvi build a tiger corridor through a drag-and-drop game, learning why connected habitats are important for tiger movement and conservation.
<u>Biodiversity Map: Madhya Pradesh</u>	Interactive map	Explore Madhya Pradesh, India's tiger state with the highest tiger population, and discover the biodiversity of this important landscape.
<u>Boat Birding in Tigerland</u>	Comic	A fun exploration of the Sundarbans that highlights the many species found in tiger landscapes, showing that tiger habitats support much more than just tigers.

C. Additional Resources

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<u>WWF International Tiger Educational Resources</u>	Webpage with multiple types of activities	This is a dedicated page by WWF which includes several types of activities, a presentation on tigers, different learning materials, printable games, etc.
<u>WWF-UK Tiger Fact Sheet</u>	Fact sheet	Use interesting facts about tigers to introduce the species or create a quick learning activity.
<u>WWF-UK Tiger Quiz</u>	Quiz	A ready-to-use quiz to test students' knowledge about tigers, habitats and conservation.
<u>Make Your Own Tiger Mask</u>	Printable activity	A creative activity for younger learners to connect with tigers through art.
<u>Make Your Own Foldable Tiger Bookmark</u>	Printable activity	A simple take-home craft activity linked to tiger awareness.
<u>Tiger Anthem by Times of India</u>	Video	Can be used as an opening or closing activity to create an emotional connection with tiger conservation.

D. Ideas for In-person Activities

1. Tiger Quiz

- **What this helps with:** Builds basic awareness about tigers, their habitats and conservation efforts in a fun way.
- **How to do it:** Conduct a short live quiz with students using questions about tiger facts, behaviour, habitats and conservation. Students can participate individually or in teams, with small prizes for winners.
- **Materials:** Quiz questions, projector/quiz sheets, small giveaways.

2. Tiger Mask Making

- **What this helps with:** Encourages creativity and helps younger learners build a connection with tigers.
- **How to do it:** Provide students with a tiger mask template. Students colour, decorate and assemble their own tiger masks, which can be used for a small tiger parade or photo activity.
- **Materials:** Printable tiger mask templates, colours, scissors, glue.

3. Tiger Bookmark Making

- **What this helps with:** Creates a simple take-home reminder about tiger conservation.
- **How to do it:** Students design and create their own tiger-themed bookmarks. Encourage them to include a tiger fact or conservation message.
- **Materials:** Bookmark templates, drawing/colouring materials.

4. Create Your Own Tiger Comic

- **What this helps with:** Develops storytelling skills while encouraging students to think about conservation solutions.
- **How to do it:** Students create a short comic strip featuring a tiger, a challenge it faces and a possible solution.
- **Theme ideas:**
 - A day in the life of a tiger
 - A tiger family exploring its habitat
 - A forest ranger protecting wildlife
- **Materials:** Comic templates, drawing sheets, colours.
- **Printable Template for the Comic:** https://wwfindia-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/anukriti_wwfindia_net/IQC0vjz2gnMxT5M4Kq5k93CsAdj0LrwkV2vcKv-lgz-KRXk?e=UZknmZ

5. Tiger Word Puzzle

- **What this helps with:** Reinforces key words related to tigers and conservation.
- **How to do it:** Distribute a tiger-themed word puzzle worksheet. Students need to read prompts and fill in the blanks.
- **Materials:** Printed word puzzle sheets.

- **Printable Template for the Word Search:** https://wwfindia-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/anukriti_wwfindia_net/IQBSjb-e3ZfWQKO37IFk1dF2AdCinY7_NKQBBhBmx_UVdVI?e=umGIYY

6. Tiger Fact or Fiction

- **What this helps with:** Helps students identify common misconceptions and learn interesting facts about tigers.
- **How to do it:** Read out statements about tigers. Students decide whether each statement is true or false by raising their hands, holding signs or moving to different sides of the room.
- **Materials:** Presentation with facts and correct answers
- **Statement examples:**
 - Every tiger has a unique stripe pattern, just like humans have unique fingerprints. *(Fact)*
 - Tigers are the largest cat species in the world. *(Fact)*
 - Tigers can only survive in dense forests and cannot live in other habitats. *(Fiction)*
 - Tigers are excellent swimmers and often enter water to cool down or travel. *(Fact)*
 - Saving tiger habitats also helps protect many other plants and animals that share the same ecosystem. *(Fact)*
 - All tigers have orange fur with black stripes. *(Fiction)*
 - A tiger's stripes help it camouflage itself while moving through forests and grasslands. *(Fact)*
 - Tigers are found only in India and nowhere else in the world. *(Fiction)*
 - Tiger corridors help connect fragmented forests and allow tigers to move safely between habitats. *(Fact)*
 - Tigers are herbivores and mainly eat plants. *(Fiction)*

7. Spot the Tiger Challenge

- **What this helps with:** Helps students understand tiger adaptations and how animals survive in their habitats.
- **How to do it:** Show students photographs or short videos where a tiger is hidden in its natural habitat. Give them time to spot the tiger, then discuss how camouflage, stripes and other features help tigers survive.
- **Materials:** Tiger photographs, camera trap images, wildlife videos.

8. Photo Caption Challenge

- **What this helps with:** Encourages observation, creativity and emotional connection with wildlife.
- **How to do it:** Show students a tiger photograph and ask them to create a caption, short story or conservation message inspired by the image.
- **Materials:** Tiger photographs, camera trap images.

9. Tiger Scavenger Hunt

- **What this helps with:** Encourages teamwork while helping students explore different aspects of tiger conservation.
- **How to do it:** Divide students into teams. Before the activity, hide tiger-related clue cards around the venue. Each team receives the first clue, which leads them to their next card. Teams continue following clues until they collect all their cards. Once complete, they prepare a short 2–5-minute speech sharing what they learnt from their cards.
- **Materials:** Clue cards and information cards on:
 - Tiger adaptations
 - Habitat requirements
 - Prey species
 - Threats
 - Conservation solutions

10. Tiger Story Circle or Spin-A-Yarn

- **What this helps with:** Encourages imagination, teamwork and empathy towards wildlife.
- **How to do it:** Use this as a quick 10-minute energiser. Begin with a one-line tiger story prompt. Going around the group, each student adds **one sentence only** to continue the story. Encourage students to include the tiger's habitat, challenges and conservation themes. One volunteer writes down the story, and at the end, narrates the complete story created by the group.
- **Rules:**
 - Each student gets only one sentence.
 - The story should stay connected to tigers and nature.
 - Try to remain factual.
 - Avoid unrelated characters or events.
- **Example prompt:** "A young tiger cub stepped out of its den for the first time and entered the forest..."

11. Build a Tiger Food Web

- **What this helps with:** Helps students understand how tigers are connected to other species and why healthy ecosystems matter.
- **How to do it:** Assign students different roles from a tiger ecosystem, such as plants, deer, wild boar, tiger, insects, birds and water sources. Ask them to arrange themselves to show how energy moves through the ecosystem. Use a thread or simply point out connections between species.
- **Example:** Plants → Deer → Tiger
- **Discuss:** What happens if one species disappears? Why do tigers need healthy forests?

12. Build a Tiger Habitat

- **What this helps with:** Helps students understand the different needs of tigers and the challenges involved in conservation.
- **How to do it:** Divide students into groups and ask them to design a tiger habitat on a poster. After they complete their designs, introduce challenges such as roads, habitat loss or human settlements and ask them how they would solve them.
- **Students should include:** Forest cover, water sources, prey species, safe movement routes, space to roam
- **Materials:** Poster sheets, colours, habitat cut-outs.

13. Tiger Show and Tell: Conservation Tools Up Close

- **What this helps with:** Introduces students to the science and technology used in wildlife conservation.
- **How to do it:** Display conservation tools and explain how they help scientists study tigers. Allow students to observe the tools and discuss what information each tool can provide.
- **Materials:** Tiger radio collar (if available), camera trap, pugmark cast, wildlife monitoring equipment, field guides and photographs.

14. Tiger Conservation Poster Competition

- **What this helps with:** Encourages students to communicate conservation messages creatively.

- **How to do it:** Ask students to create posters on a given tiger conservation theme. Display completed posters and recognise creative ideas and messages.
- **Theme ideas:**
 - “Save Tigers, Save Forests”
 - “Every Stripe Tells a Story”
 - “A Future Where Tigers Thrive”
- **Materials:** Poster sheets, colours, paints.

15. Slogan Writing Competition

- **What this helps with:** Builds communication skills and encourages students to spread awareness.
- **How to do it:** Ask students to create short, catchy slogans about tiger conservation. Display the best slogans around the venue.
- **Materials:** Writing sheets, display board.

16. Conservation Action Wall

- **What this helps with:** Encourages students to reflect on their role in protecting nature.
- **How to do it:** Ask students to complete the sentence: “**One thing I can do for tigers is...**” They write their responses on sticky notes and add them to a common display board.
- **Materials:** Chart paper, sticky notes, markers.