Congratulations on your new LION! We know you ordered a kitten, but we ran out of those.

What happens when you expect an itty-bitty kitty . . . but get a LION instead? Fortunately, the big cat comes with instructions—like, try very hard NOT to look like a zebra. Soon the feathers and fur start flying. Is there any way a lion could actually be a child’s purr-fect pet?

Inside this packet, you’ll find reproducible activity sheets with things to draw, word games to play, and puzzles to solve. Some are easy, some are a little more difficult, but every one is fun!

Just photocopy the pages, gather some crayons and pencils, and have a fabulous event!

CONTENTS OF THE KIT:

- Crossword Puzzle
- Word Search
- Maze
- Coloring Activity
- Writing and Coloring Activity
**ACROSS:**
2. Your lion needs you to _____ him.
4. Grab your _____ to take some cute photos of your new pet.
5. Cats meow, lions _____.
6. You expected a _____ You got a lion instead!
7. Give your lion lots of _____ to play!
8. Take a deep _____ and don’t panic!

**DOWN:**
1. This animal has black-and-white stripes.
3. Hungry? Call for the pizza _____ guy.
4. Your lion has arrived in a _____
9. If you’re tired, you should take a _____.
## Step 2: Word Search Activity

You can search the grid horizontally, vertically, and diagonally—and backward and forward, too—to find the hidden words. (Letters may be used more than once.)

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- Bath
- Caring
- Carefully
- Deluxe
- Doze
- Feather
- Gazelle
- Lion
- Pizza
- Play
- Treat
A LION’S PLAYGROUND MAZE
This lion wants a place to play! Help him find his way around the playground.

STEP 3
STEP 4

COLORING ACTIVITY
What pets would you like to own? Draw a picture of some of your favorite animals. (Even if your mom and dad wouldn’t REALLY let you have them!)
When a __________ arrived in the mail, I felt very __________. My new pet was hungry, so I gave it some __________ for lunch.

Pets need a lot of exercise, so I took mine out to __________.

Afterward, my pet was very tired, so I made it a bed out of _________ and ___________.

At the end of the day, I felt very __________ about my new pet. I decided to name it ___________.

STEP 5

WRITING AND DRAWING

Think about your favorite wild animal. Now imagine that it showed up in a crate on your doorstep one morning! How would you care for it? Fill in the blanks and then draw pictures to make your own story about owning a wild pet!
CROSSWORD

1. Z
2. FEED
3. CAMER
4. ROAR
5. SPACE
6. BREAT
7.

WORD SEARCH ACTIVITY

A LION’S PLAYGROUND MAZE

ANSWER KEY

DON’T PEEK!

C G R K D O Z E Y L
F E A T H E R L Y I
H K E Z V D L W J O
B S R Y E U I D Y N
M A A P F L E Q C B
U L T E A L G A S
P V R H U T P E R O
S A N X Q A Z Z I P
C H E B X I U G N P
V T R E A T S J G O
What happens when a little boy expects an itty-bitty kitty . . . but a lion is delivered to his doorstep instead?