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LET'S ADOPT A TIGER

Four year old Sofia sat in her mother's lap while they read a book about tigers and how they are an **endangered** species. The book used some pretty big words that Sofia didn't know, so her mother had to explain what they meant. Sofia learned that tigers are decreasing in number, and the places where they can live and freely **roam** are getting smaller and smaller, partly due to the **expansion** of cities into their territory.

Some countries have started programs to help **protect** the tigers from becoming extinct — another big word Sofia learned from the story. It means that the tigers will eventually all be gone, if something isn't done to save them.

National Save the Tiger Month was begun to help create **awareness** about the problems the tigers are having. At the end of the book, Sofia suggested that her family **adopt** a tiger. Her mother smiled and reminded her that they live in a very small house with no room for a great big tiger. They would have to find another way to help the tigers.

Section A.

Match the words with their meaning.

- Endangered

become larger

- Roam

concern

- Expansion

Almost gone

- Protect

Take and bring it home

- Awareness

Keep safe

- Adopt

Move about

Section B.

Complete the answers by filling in the empty spaces with the words below

expansion

No

four

small

tigers

extinct

1. How old is Sofia?

Sofia is _____ years old.

2. What were Sofia and her mother reading about?

They are reading about _____.

3. Why are the numbers of tigers decreasing?

The numbers of tigers are decreasing partly because of the
_____ of cities into their territory.

4. Why do some countries have programs to save the tigers?

Some countries have programs to save tigers because they wanted to
protect them from becoming _____

5. Can Sofia adopt a tiger? Why?

_____, because she lives in a _____ house with no
room for a great big tiger.

