

Activity 3

Fill in the blanks by listening to the audio played by your teacher.

The cheetah is a 1)_____ cat native to Africa and central Iran. It is the fastest land animal, estimated to be capable of running at 80 to 128 km/h. Cheetahs can 2) _____ fast because of their long thin legs and a long tail.

A cheetah's body length 3)_____ reaches 67–94 cm. Adults weigh between 21 and 72 kg. Their heads are small and rounded, with short snouts and black tear-like facial streaks. The coat is typically tawny to creamy white or pale buff and is 4)_____ covered with evenly spaced, solid black spots.

Cheetahs live in three main social groups: females and their cubs, male groups, and solitary males. While females lead a nomadic life searching for prey in large home ranges, males are more 5)_____ and instead establish much smaller territories in areas with plentiful prey and access to females. The cheetah is active during the day, with peaks during dawn and dusk.