

My Savanna Animal Book on
THE AFRICAN HARE



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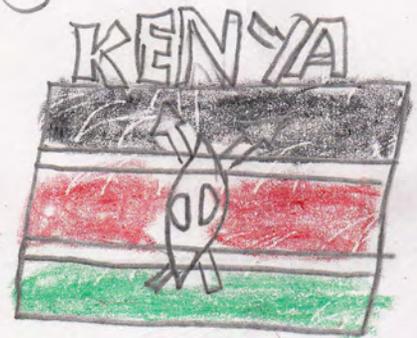
Hello fellow students. My name is COLLINS
GITONGA and I'm a 5th grade student at

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We are learning about *savannas* and I'd like to share with you about what *savannas* are, how *important* they are, and an *animal* of particular interest to me, The African hare.



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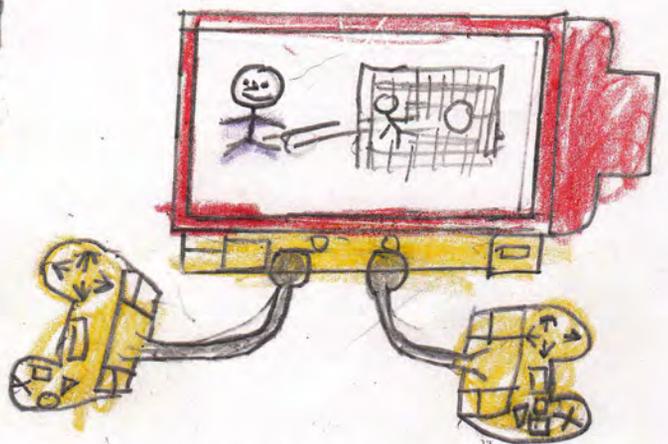


About me...

But before I start my book, I'd like to share with you about some of my favorite things.

I like football and I would like to be a footballer. I like to play video games. Games like football, cars and going in missions games.

My favourite team in the English premier league is Chelsea and favourite player is Lampard.



I like soda
juice, chips,
Pizza, ice cream

Okay, now I'm ready to write about what savannas are, their importance, and facts about one of my favorite animals, THE AFRICAN HARE.

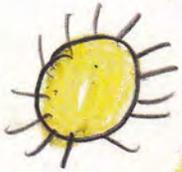
First, *savannas* are found in a wide band on either side of the equator on the edges of tropical forests and desert biomes. Savannas are typically characterized as rolling grasslands scattered with shrubs and isolated trees. Additional characteristics are:

Are found in plains.

It covers the largest section in our country.

It has elephant grass.

It grows in hot places.



Second, we are very fortunate to literally have savannas as part of our community. They serve many *important* purposes, such as:

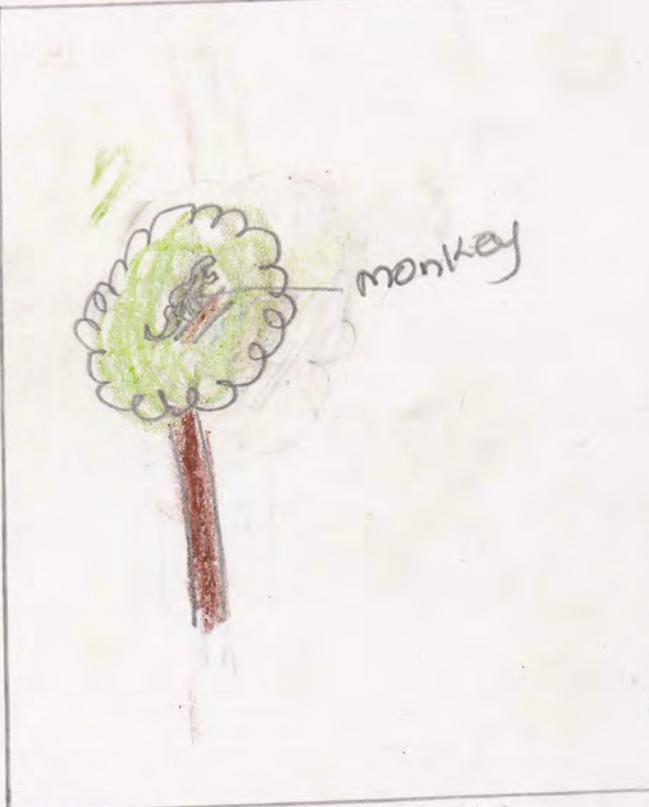
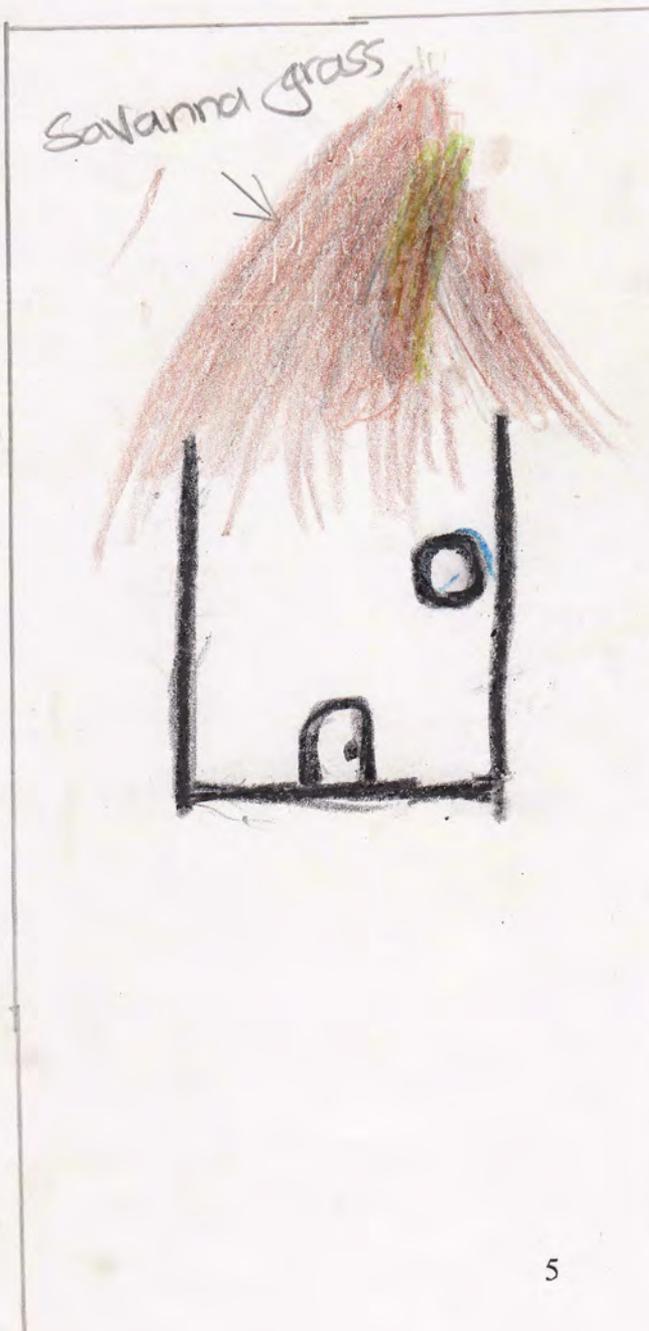
Home to wildlife

Its grass is used to make different traditional roof

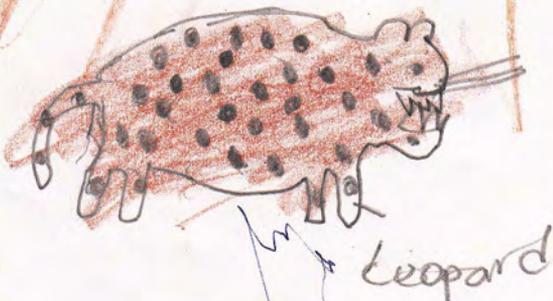
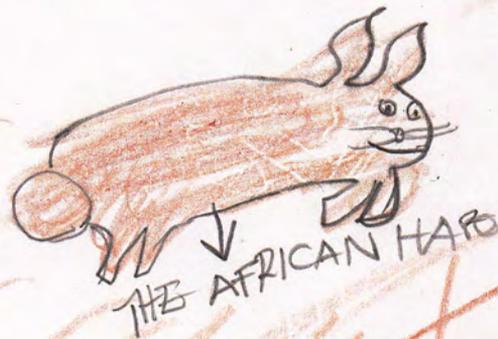
Influences climate

Attracts tourists from other countries

Food for wild animals



Third, there is a particular *animal* of interest to me, namely the African Hare. I chose this *animal* because it is clever that it is too hard for its predators to catch them and eat them. It is small and its found in Africa.



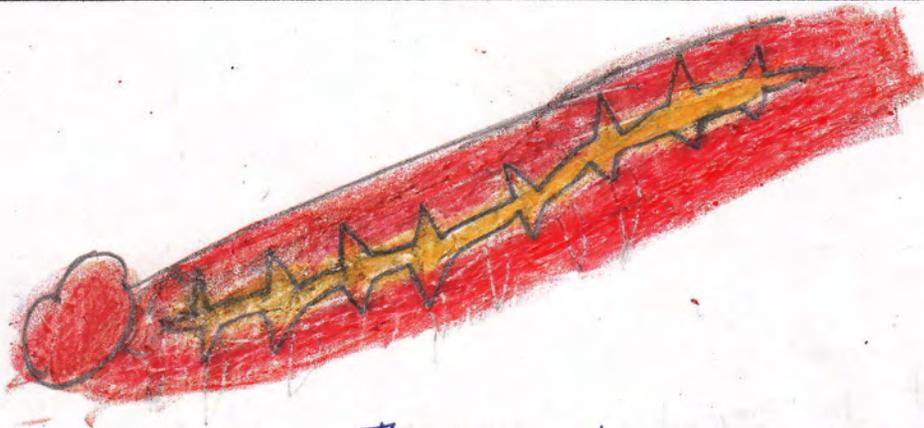
In the following paragraphs, I will briefly discuss what I researched about my animal of interest, the African hare. I will cover the following: classification, common name, scientific name, physical characteristics, behavior, if the animal camouflages, adaptations, range, migratory, population, status, reproduction, habitat, prey, predators, where animal fits in food web, and whether aborigines used the animal for food, clothing, or other purposes.

I hope you enjoy the book!

I HOPE YOU
ENJOY THE
BOOK

Classification

The African hare is a vertebrate because it has a backbone. It is classified as a mammal because it has constant temperature and it is a warm blooded animal.



The backbone of the African hare.

Names

The African hare has two names. The common name is hare, and the *scientific name* is Lepus araharys or Lepus capensis or Lepus microtis. In science, the *scientific name* is the genus and species of the animal or plant.

Physical characteristics... my animal looks like...

My animal have strong hind foot measures
about 4 inches and has the mobil ears
are long or longer. The hare make Spectacular
leaps of up to ten feet. It belong to
Species mammal in the Leporidae family.



It leaps 10 feet into the air

Camouflage...does my animal blend into its environment?

After looking at my animal and reading more about it, I realize that it hides in the Savanna
grass so that it can not be caught
by the predators. The Savanna grass is brown
and the African Hare is brown.

Adaptations

My animal is unique because there is the African hare and the white hare. The African hare - survivors in hot places like Africa. And white hare survivors in cold places in America. They have chisel shaped incisors which have evolved for cutting and ripping vegetation. They also have a very strong sense of hearing and smelling and are very fast and smart.

Animal behavior

The way I would describe the behavior of my animal is a solitary are not common. A female hare gives birth to one or two young ones which are bornfully haired and with open eyes. The mother only spends a short amount of time each day suckling the young, the rest of time they hide informs trying to avoid attention of predators.

Range

The African hare is found in Africa but not in any other continents. Because it survives in hot places but not in cold places. They are found all over Sub-Saharan Africa from the west to east of Africa and all the way down to South Africa.

Migratory...does it travel from one location to another during seasons?

The African hare migrate. For example, they migrate when the human beings come to hunt them for food or meat, for entertainment or sports. So they have to leave that place because they are endangered.

Population

The population of my animal is wide spread
this is a successful animal in Africa.
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Status

The status of the African hare tells me
whether it is endangered, threatened, or stable.
What I found out is that the African hare is
not endangered and threatened. I find this
interesting because it was hunted for sports,
entertainment and for meat. However it
is now mostly protected by law.
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Reproduction

The reproduction of the African hare is that a female hare gives birth to one or two young which are born fully haired and with open eyes.

Habitat...home

The African hare habitat is the tropical forest or the wooded savannah, ^{and} arid regions.

Prey and predator...(to eat and to be eaten)

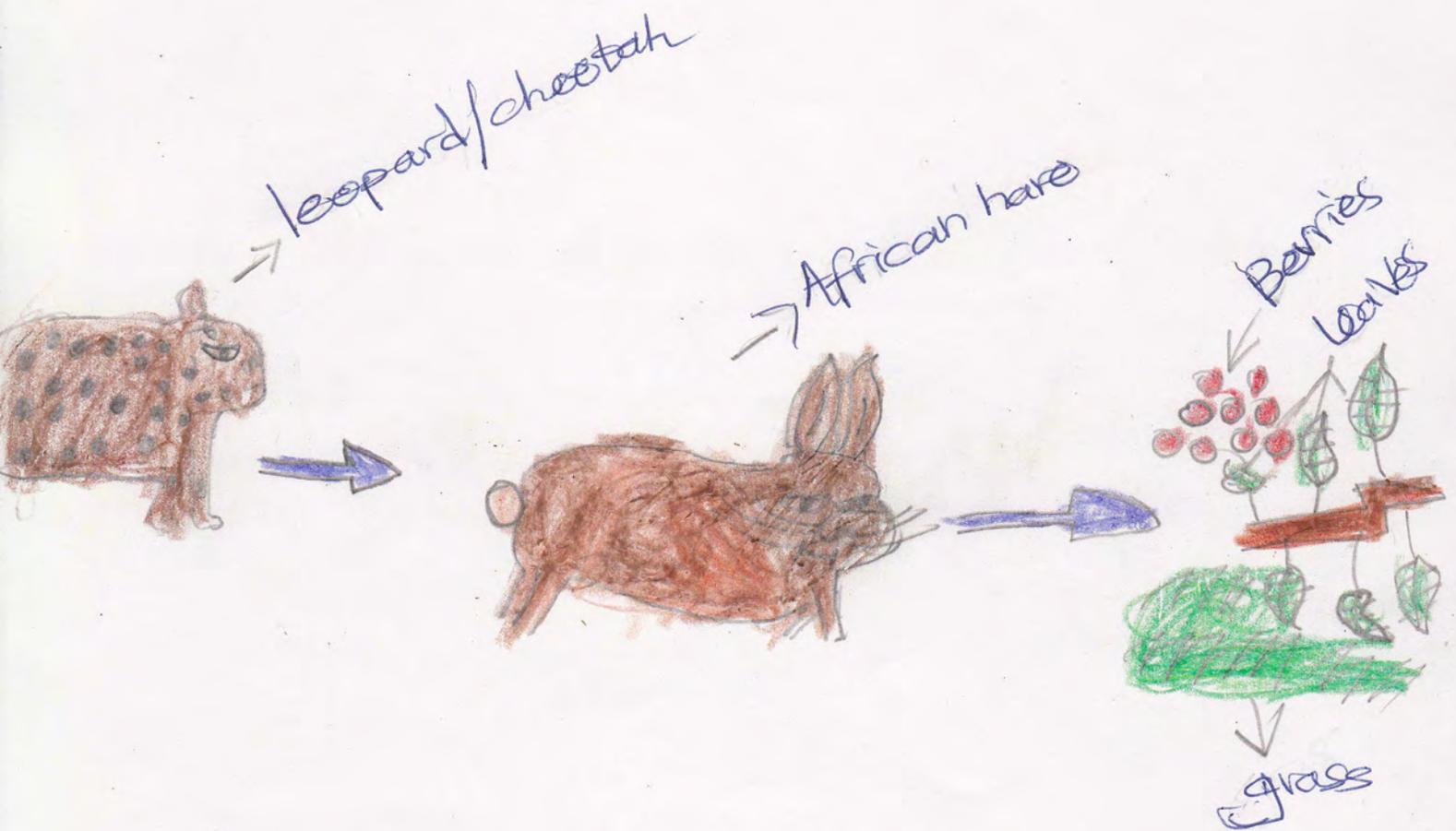
The prey my animal eats are: grass, berries
roots, fungi and bark

My animal eats other things such as:
leaves

The predators that eat me are: lions, leopard,
cheetah, hyena

Food web

My animal is a African hare. The following picture demonstrates where my animal fits in the food web.



Aborigines

I'm curious to see if the aborigines used the African hare in anyway, for example, for food, clothing, or for other purposes. What I discovered that the skin is traded to people of all States. It also gave them meat.

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Thank you for reading my book. I hope you enjoyed it and learned a lot about the African hare. Please feel free to *comment* about my book and also, test your knowledge by answering the following *questions* below. I look forward to hearing from you.

Comments for me:

Questions for you: (*See if you can answer these...*)

1. What is the adoption of the African hare?
2. What are the scientific names of my animal?
3. What is the aborigines of the African hare?

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