

23rd December - O Emmanuel-Lion

Lions are the most social of the big cats living in groups (known as prides). Like domestic cats they are fond of their sleep and rest for about 20 hours per day. The female members of the pride tend to do most of the hunting; despite this, the males get to eat first. The role of the males in the group is to defend the territory of the pride, rather than to provide food. Contrary to the popular idea of the 'king of the jungle' lions actually live on open grass land. In this terrain sound travels a long way and the roar of a lion can be heard up to five miles in the distance.

