

# Hair

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## Amazing Hair Facts

- The average number of hairs on the head is 100,000.
- Hair is the second fastest growing tissue in the body.
- Hair and fingernails are both made from the same substance, keratin.
- When Hans Langseth of Norway died in 1927, his beard was measured at 5.65 m.

How many more interesting hair facts can you find?

## “Hairy” Self Portraits

Print at least four large copies of a picture of yourself.

On each picture (self portrait), change your hair color and your hair style. Be creative.

You may also add facial hair such as a beard or mustache.

Ask your family and friends which portrait was the most interesting.



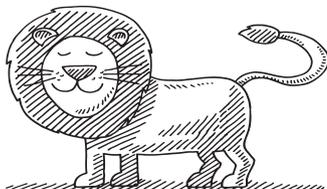
## Animal Hair and Fur

Some animals have very long hair or fur. Examples of “hairy” animals are highland cattle, the colubus monkey, sheep, and a male lion. Horses have a long hairy tail and some cats and dogs have very long hair.

Why do some animals have long hair or fur?

List and draw some hairy animals.

What is your favorite hairy” animal?



## Writing

Write each of these “hair” words in a sentence.

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| bald     | braid     |
| fur      | blonde    |
| ponytail | redhead   |
| pigtail  | hairstyle |

## Number Crunchers

If hair grows about 3.5 cm every three months, how long will it grow in:

6 months?

1 year?

It is normal to lose 100 hairs per day from the scalp.

How many hairs will you lose in:

1 week?

3 weeks?

People with red hair have an average of 90,000 hairs.

People with brown or black hair have about 110,000.

People with blonde hair have about 130,000 hairs.

How many more hairs do blonde people have compared to people with red hair?

How many more hairs do blonde people have compared to people with brown or black hair?

