



Questions

Prowling Predator

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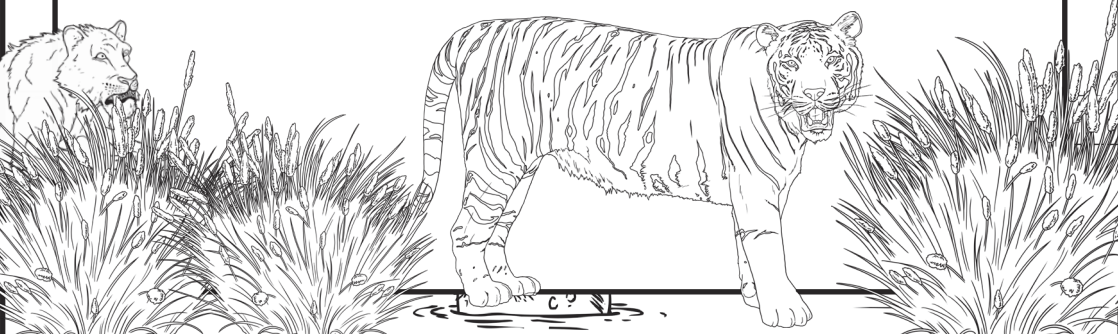
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Answers



1. Write a synonym for the word **bright**.

Accept any appropriate synonym, such as: vivid; brilliant; dazzling; luminous; radiant.



2. Where is the story set?

The story is set in a rainforest.



3. What impression do you get of Sunda Tigers?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I get the impression that Sunda tigers are powerful predators in the rainforest and very aware of their surroundings.



4. Explain why the author chose to describe the flashes of fur as a **warning**.

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think the author chose to describe it as a warning because they wanted to highlight how dangerous it would be to be that close to a Sunda tiger.