Looking for the Cat in the Ghat

Stage 3

Characters

Tim

Sandesh

Deepa
Tim plans to take photos of animals in the Western Ghats. Deepa wants to use her new wildlife photographer. He takes photos of wild animals.

Today, Deepa and Tim take a trip to the Western Ghats forest. They are with Sandesh, a

First, they see a huge white cat with black stripes. Tim really wants to get a photo of the huge feline. Just as he takes out his camera, the cat runs into the forest.
Invention to ask the other animals for help. His team makes a plan to find the huge white cat with black stripes. They will use Deepa's no one has ever gotten close enough before to take a photo of this rare cat. So, Tim and Tim is upset because his photo is fuzzy. He wants a good photo of the wild cat because

First, the team spots a herd of elephants bathing in the lake. Deepa asks the family of elephants, "Did you see a huge white cat with black stripes?"

One elephant wails, "No, do I look like a tiny cat? We are the biggest animals here. We have our own big problems. Go away!"

Tim takes a photo of the huge elephants, and the team leaves.
The tiger means and tells them, 'No, can't you see I am not a huge white cat with black stripes? I cannot help you. I have my own problems. Go away.'

Next, they see a tiger resting in the grass. They ask the tiger, 'Did you see a huge white cat with black stripes?'

Then, the team goes deeper into the forest. They hear quiet footsteps. It is a herd of deer. Deepa asks the deer, 'Did you see a huge white cat with black stripes?'
The team reaches the pond. Deepa spots the frog with the yellow stripe on its back. Deepa asks the frog, “Have you seen the huge white cat with black stripes?”

The frog croaks back, “Yes, you are seeking Pom-Pom. He is the Cat in the Gharat of great fame. He is the only white tiger in the Western Ghats, but he fears people because of what they have done to the forest. If you want to find Pom-Pom, keep walking towards the stream. But Pom-Pom may not want to talk to you.”

The team feels confused and walks away from the frog.
Finally, the team reaches the stream, where they see the famous Cat in the Ghats drinking water. As the team approaches, he starts to turn away, but Deepa yells, "Wait, Pom-Pom. We need your help to save the Western Ghats."

Pom-Pom replies, "The only people that come to the forest want to cut down the trees. How can you possibly help?"
"Himmin," says Pom-Pom. "That's a good idea! You may take my photo if you use it to tell the
world to preserve the homes of the animals in the Western Ghats."

Deepa says, "No one has ever seen a photo of the cat in the Ghats before. If we can take
your photo, we can use it to inspire people to protect your habitat."

STUDENTS WANT TO
SAVE THE WESTERN GHATS

Sandesh, Deepa, and Tim write a newspaper story about the problems in the forests of the
Western Ghats. They say that people are cutting down too many trees. The animals need the
trees to survive.

They show photos of all the animals they met in the Ghats. They even show a photo of the black
and white Cat in the Ghats!
Tell everyone to help preserve the forests of the Western Ghats.

The students are excited to see pictures of the famous cobra in the Ghats. They want to

Deepa and Tim speak with their class about the animals in the forest and their problems.

Map of India

Western Ghats
Endangered by the World Wildlife Federation, Ghosts are considered critically endangered.

- The forests and rivers of the Western Ghats region.
- There are at least 139 species of mammals in the Western Ghats region.
- The forests of the Western Ghats are older than the Himalayan mountains.
- The mountains of the Western Ghats are considered one of the top 10 hotspots in biological diversity in the world.

**Western Ghats Facts**

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