

We ♥ Animal Babies

It's been a busy year for parents at the Zoo – there were a lot of babies born this year! Wallace, a Humboldt penguin chick, hatched April 20; Maya, a giraffe calf, was born May 15; Milo, a harbor seal pup, was born May 30; and Dr. Lily Parkinson, a red panda cub, was born June 6. While all new babies are a reason to celebrate, Lily's birth is especially exciting because she is the first red panda cub to be born at the Zoo. Red pandas can be found in central China, northern Myanmar and the mountains of Nepal. They are endangered, which makes every single red panda cub that much more special!

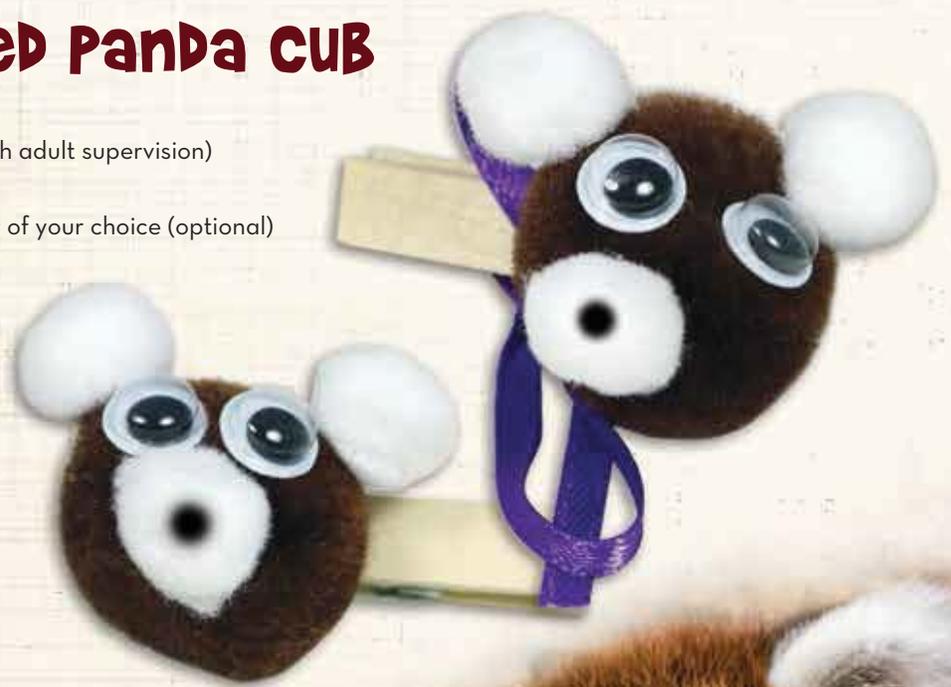
Make Your Own Red Panda Cub

You will need:

- 1 clothespin
- 1 large brown pom pom
- 3 small white pom poms
- 2 small googly eyes
- Hot glue gun (with adult supervision)
- Black marker
- 4" ribbon in color of your choice (optional)

Directions:

1. With the help of an adult, use the hot glue gun to attach one brown pom pom to the clothespin.
2. Glue two white pom poms to either side of the top of the brown pom pom to make ears.
3. Glue another white pom pom to the front of the brown pom pom to make a snout.
4. Place two googly eyes above the white pom pom.
5. Color a black dot on the snout for a nose.
6. Tie the ribbon in a bow around the clothespin below the brown pom pom.



Goat photo by Mike Nepper; red panda and harbor seal photos by Joel Miller

Bear cUB Toast

Make breakfast extra special with this treat! In most bear species, bear cubs are born while the mother hibernates over the winter and emerge with the mother in spring. Polar bears don't hibernate, but pregnant polar bears create snow dens as they wait for their cubs. The mother will remain in the den for four to eight months caring for her cubs. You can turn your toast into a brown bear or polar bear cub with the recipe below.

Ingredients:

- A slice of bread
- Peanut butter or cream cheese
- Cinnamon/sugar mixture
- Banana
- Three raisins

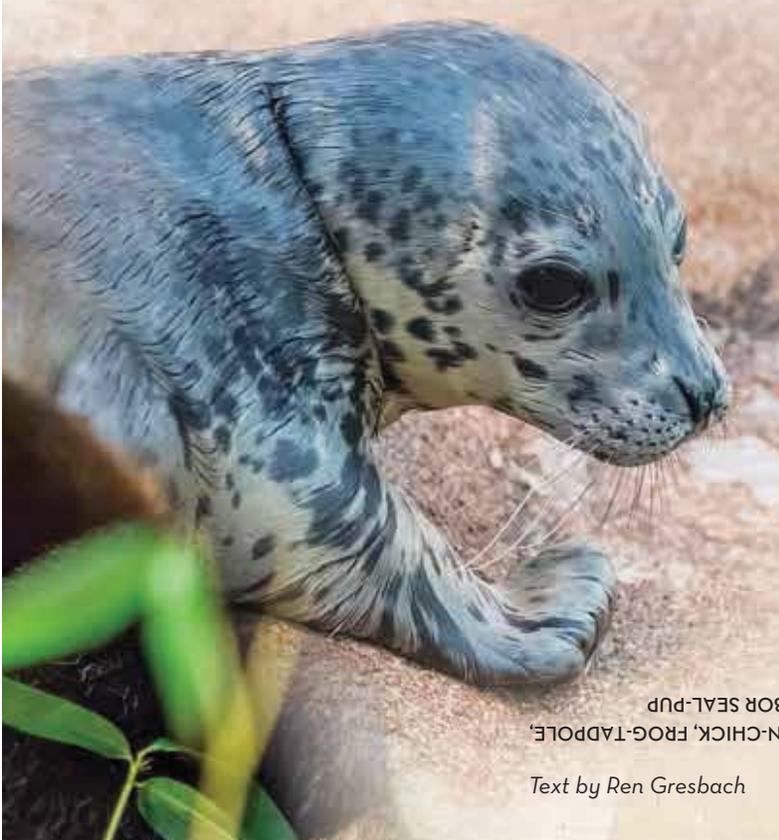
Directions:

1. Toast bread and spread peanut butter on one side, or use cream cheese to make a polar bear cub.
2. Sprinkle with cinnamon and sugar.
3. Add a banana slice in each top corner and one in the middle.
4. Use raisins to make two eyes and a nose.
5. Enjoy your snack!



Test Your Knowledge

How well do you know the names of animal babies? Match the animal to its baby. Find the answers at the bottom of the page.



Animal Name	BaBY Name
Red Panda	Duckling
Bactrian Camel	Tadpole
Duck	cUB
Penguin	KiD
Frog	cygnet
Swan	PUP
Horse	calF
Goat	PeaChick
Peafowl	Foal
Harbor seal	Chick

ANSWERS: RED PANDA-CUB, BACTRIAN CAMEL-CALF, DUCK-DUCKLING, PENGUIN-CHICK, FROG-TADPOLE, SWAN-CYGNET, HORSE-FOAL, GOAT-KID, PEAFOWL-PEACHICK, HARBOR SEAL-PUP