



The Jungle Book
characters
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Akela



Akela is an Indian wolf in the Council of wolves and wants Mowgli to go back to the human village. She is the leader of the pack who presides over the pack's meetings and is always concerned about the honour of the pack. She is smart, wise and protective.

Bagheera



Bagheera is a black panther who finds the orphaned baby Mowgli and brings him to Raksha. He wants to leave him in the village amongst humans as he thinks Mowgli doesn't belong to the jungle. Bagheera is Mowgli's friend and guide.

Baloo



Baloo is a carefree bear who loves Mowgli and teaches him the ways of the jungle. He teaches him to use the boomerang and to steal honey from hives. Baloo loves to spoil Mowgli and doesn't want Mowgli to go back to the village.

The Bandar-log



The Bandar-log are the Monkey People. They are scatterbrained and foolish and chatter a lot. They have a slogan: *We are great. We are free. We are wonderful.*

Chil



Chil is a kite which is a bird who is a friend of Mowgli. He helps to rescue Mowgli from the Bandar-Log. Chil likes to observe from high up in the sky.



Hathi

Hathi is a friendly elephant who helps Mowgli whenever he needs help. Hathi is the head of the elephant troop.

Ikki



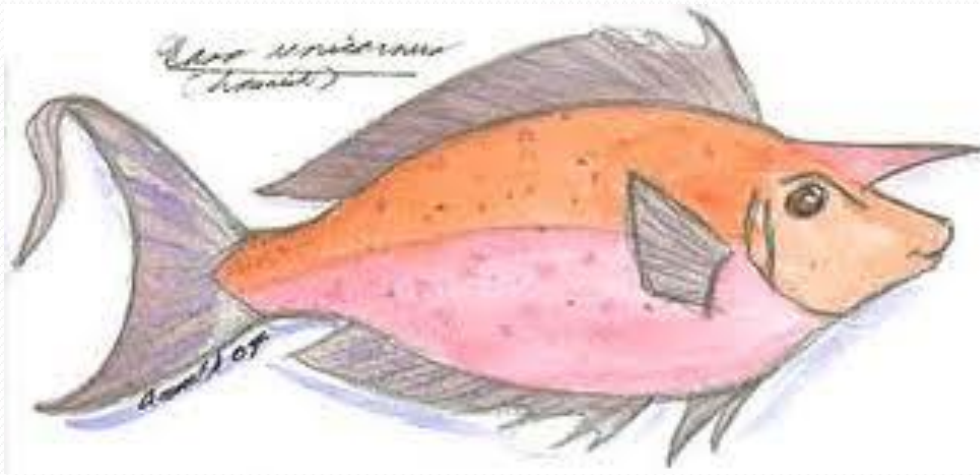
Ikki is a porcupine. He is very prickly and a fussy eater. He is also a scribe which means a note taker.

Kaa



Kaa is a huge and powerful snake, more than a hundred years old and still in his prime. Kaa is one of Mowgli's mentors and friends. Despite his polite, unhurried demeanor, animals seem to have a fearful respect for Kaa. Bagheera and Baloo enlist Kaa's help to rescue Mowgli when the man-cub is captured by the Bandar-log and taken to an abandoned human city.

keego



Keego is a fish. She is good at swimming.



Mang

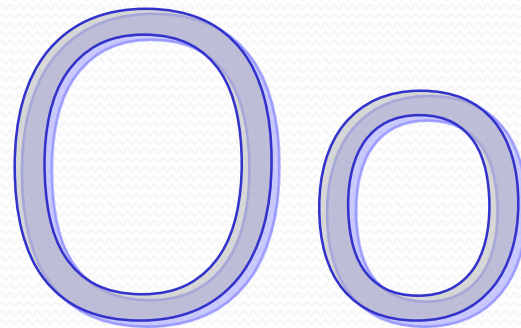
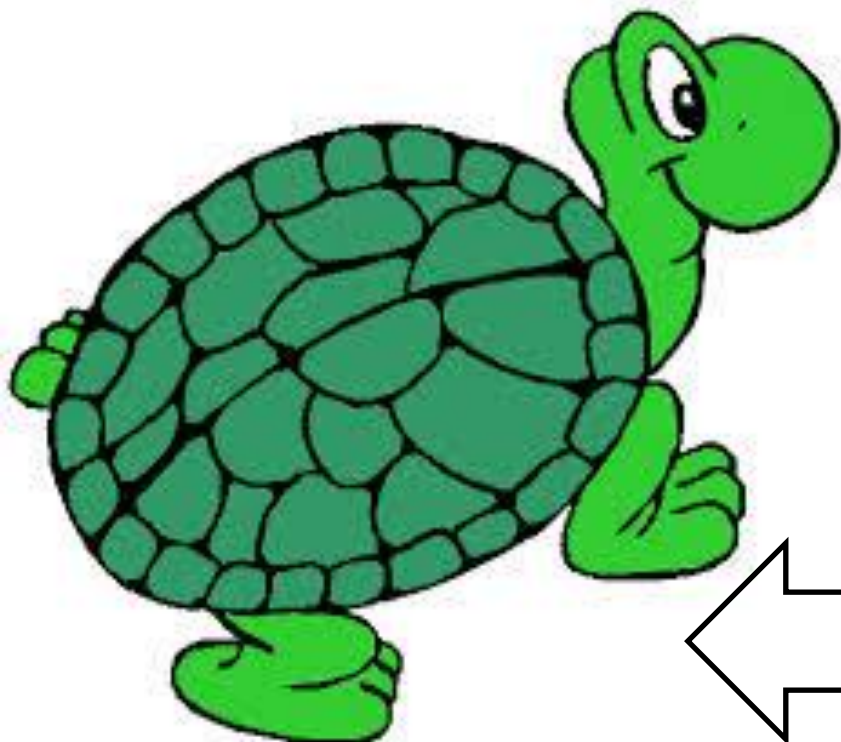
Mang is a bat. Mang represents the night and some characters are set free from the night by Mang.

Mowgli



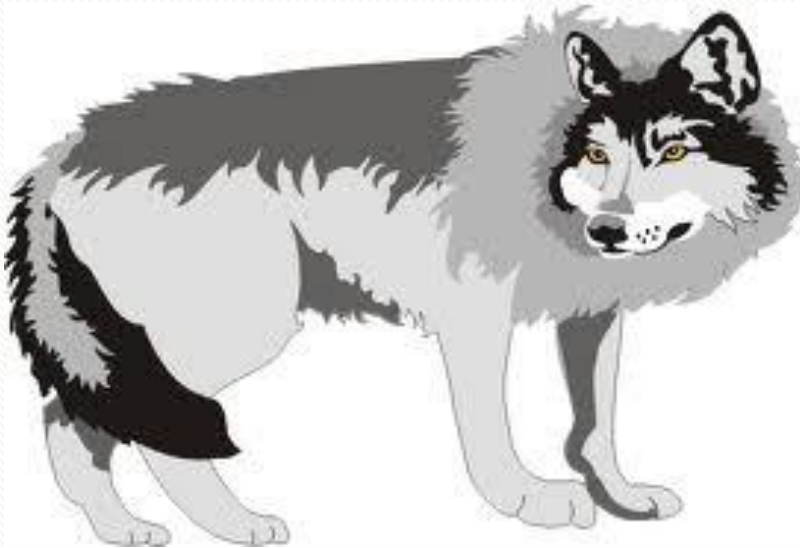
Mowgli is a human child who was found in a basket on the edge of a torn boat. Mowgli was raised by a pack of wolves until he was 10 years old. However, the threat of Shere Karn forces the pack to send him away and Bagheera decides to take him to a village for his protection.

Mowgli personality is adventurous and rebellious. He is not really aware of the dangers of the jungle. He loves singing, dancing and having fun and is trusting and friendly.



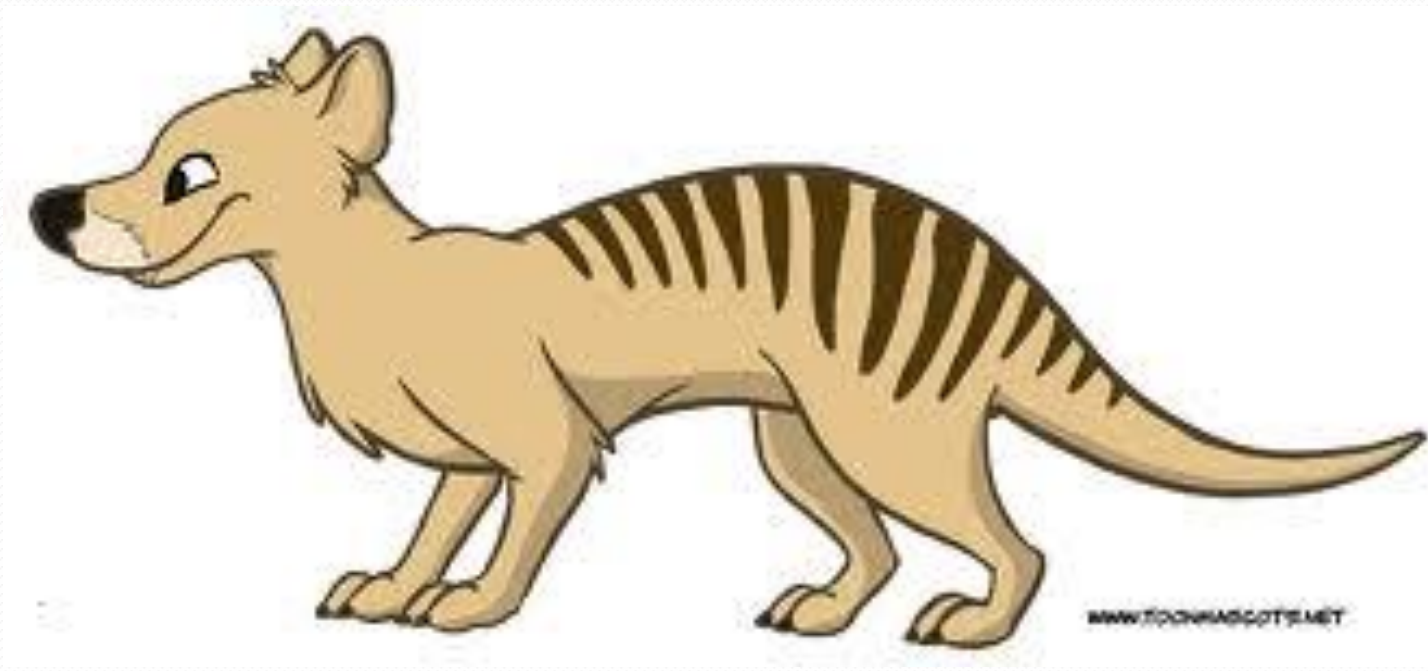
Oo is a turtle. Her name
means slow

Raksha



Raksha is the mother wolf who takes care of Mowgli and raises him up along with her cubs. She is a very loyal character. Mowgli is found by Raksha's mate, the Father Wolf.

Rikki Tikki Tavi



Rikki Tikki Tavi is a valiant young mongoose. He gets adopted by an Indian family as a pet and as protection against venomous snakes. He gets his name from being able to chatter.

Shere Khan



Shere Khan is the tiger who wants to kill Mowgli. This causes Bagheera and the Wolves to want to send Mowgli back into the village. Shere Khan is very sophisticated and strong.

Tabaqui



Tabaqui is the jackal who is pretty scared of Shere Khan. He lives mostly on the food that is given by Shere Khan or one of the wolves. He was unpopular with the wolves because of his sucking up to Shere Khan. He was known to be very sneaky.

The Pack Council



The wolf council are wise and kind. They like Mowgli but don't like Shere Khan. Their allies are Akela, Rama, Raksha, Mowgil, Bagheera and the wolf cubs.

The Laws Of The Jungle

The laws of the jungle are the set of rules that the wolves live by. They are known to the wolves and are taught to their young. One of them is the strength of the Pack is the Wolf, and the strength of the Wolf is the Pack.



"NOW THIS IS THE
LAW OF THE JUNGLE -
AS OLD AND AS
TRUE AS THE SKY;
AND THE WOLF
THAT SHALL
KEEP IT MAY PROSPER,
BUT THE WOLF THAT
SHALL BREAK IT
MUST DIE."

THE SECOND JUNGLE BOOK (1895) by RUDYARD KIPLING

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