

# Curly or Not



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Some hair has a curl to it.

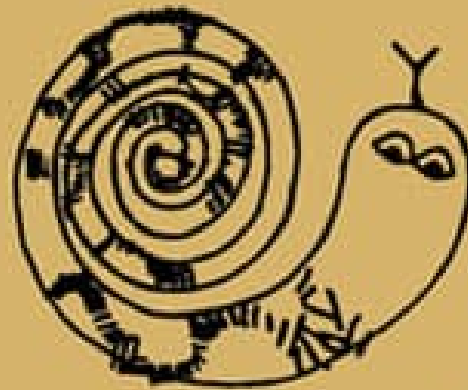
Curly hair has a lot of volume. If you hold out one of the curls and let go, it will spring right back.



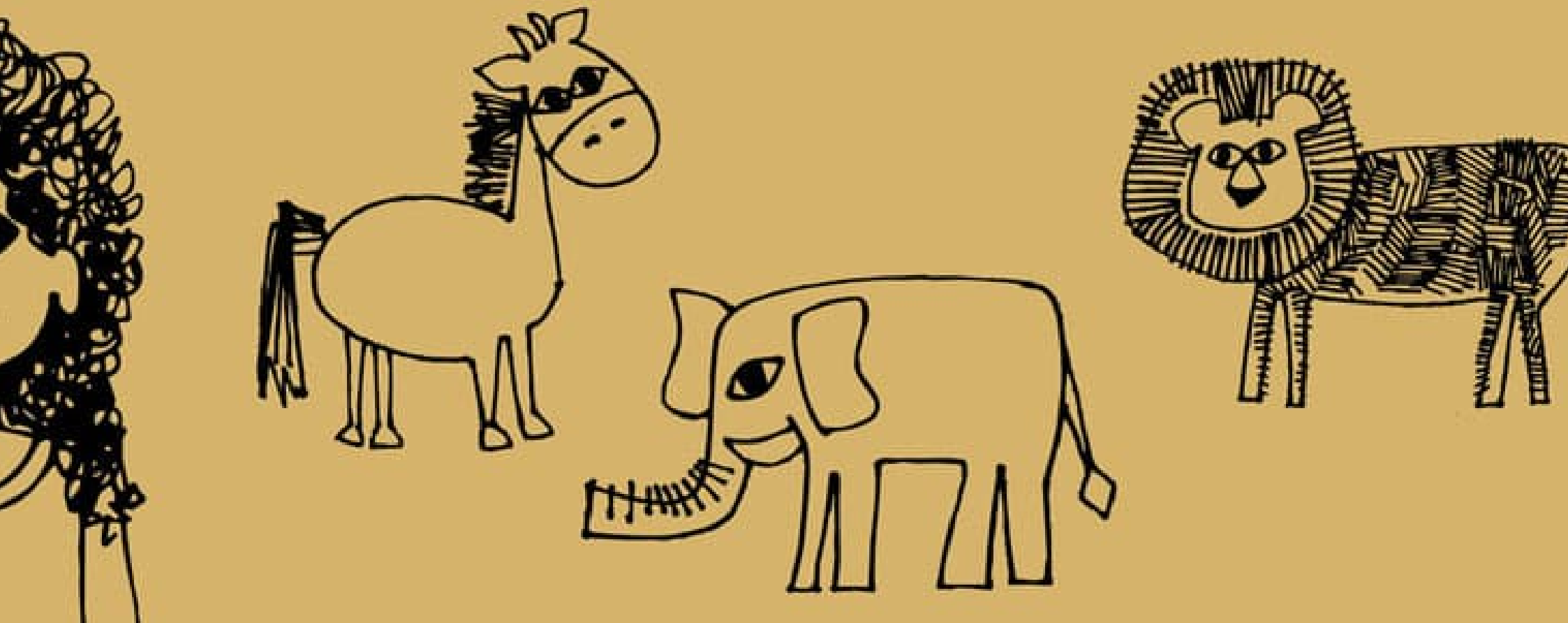


Her sister has straight hair. Straight hair hangs by your face or sits flat if you are on the ground. It does not have bounce like curly hair does.

Some animals have tails with a curl. It helps them to hold onto things or express themselves. It can help some animals hang down from a branch.



There are also animals that have straight tails. They flick them to get flies out of the way. Some straight tails are mostly skin and others are mostly hair.



Some staircases have a curl to them. They wind up to the next floor. It is fun to walk up a winding staircase.





Can you think of anything else that can be curly or straight? Our world is full of things that have different shapes.

This is a mountain that she walked up on a trip for school. The path curled all the way to the top. She was so proud to get to the peak.





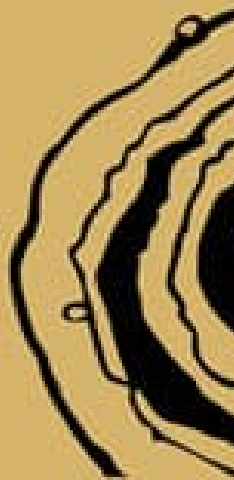
When we draw, we can make straight lines. You need to be able to do straight lines for buildings and some man made objects.



We can also make pretty lines that curl and wave. A lot of natural shapes have curves to them. Plants and animals are full of bends and rounded edges.



Some food is made to be curly. It can coil up like a snake or be a longer curl that makes a tube. We can make a lot of shapes when we bake.

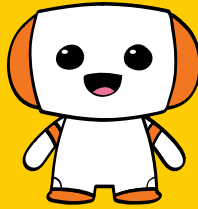


Is she going to choose that bun with a tight curl? What is the matter? She looks in the cupboard to see if there is something else as well.



There is! Curly and straight snacks. Maybe she can call up some of her friends and they can have a picnic in the yard?





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