

Hi there! Let's talk about lions and their big, fluffy manes. Did you know that only **male lions** have a fluffy mane? The lady lions, called **lionesses**, do not have manes.

Here's why:

- **Protection:** The mane is like a shield around the lion's neck. When lions fight, the fluffy mane helps protect the male lion from getting hurt!
- **Looking Big and Strong:** The mane makes the male lion look bigger and stronger. This helps scare away other lions or animals who might want to fight or take over.
- **Attracting Lionesses:** Lady lions like males with big, fluffy manes. It shows that the male lion is healthy and strong.

Lionesses don't need manes because they do not fight like males do, and they are more focused on hunting and taking care of the cubs.

So, the fluffy mane is special for male lions to help protect them, make them look cool, and attract lionesses!