Team Flags -- For Use At Club Meetings

each student display the flag of his or her team can be a fun way to increase both the sense of chess boards -- opposite the chess clocks. Grouping players into teams at club meetings, and having competition and of camaraderie during club games. During international tournaments, the homeland flags of players are often displayed beside the

not yet strong enough to earn individual recognition. are motivated by the chance to be a contributing member of a winning team, even if their skills are other and to share advice and ideas among themselves between games. Less experienced players individual competition. This type of system encourages players on the same team to support each Dividing players into groups that are approximately matched for playing strength fosters team and

a chess player to possess. side of the cards is text which points out how certain traits of that hunter are also good traits for Six team flags are included in this set. Each flag is meant to be printed double-sided. On the front of each flag is the picture and name of an animal -- all predators in this case! On the back

Printing Instructions:

- · Originals should be copied double-sided onto heavy paper or card stock.
- The front and back sides should be copied head-to-head (same edge is the top for both sides).
- Suggested colors for paper:

Shark - light blue

Wolf - gray

Fox - light red

Eagle - white

Cheetah - yellow

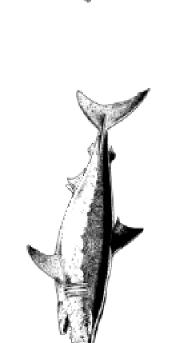
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· Cut each sheet into sixths (1 set yields 36 flags altogether).

- Laminate if desired.
- · Display flags using clip-style holders or other system.

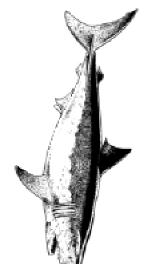
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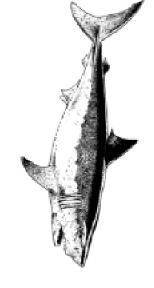
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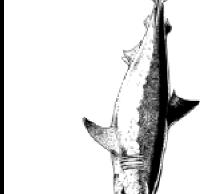
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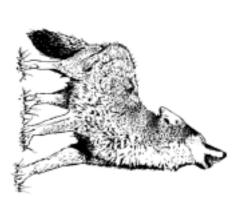
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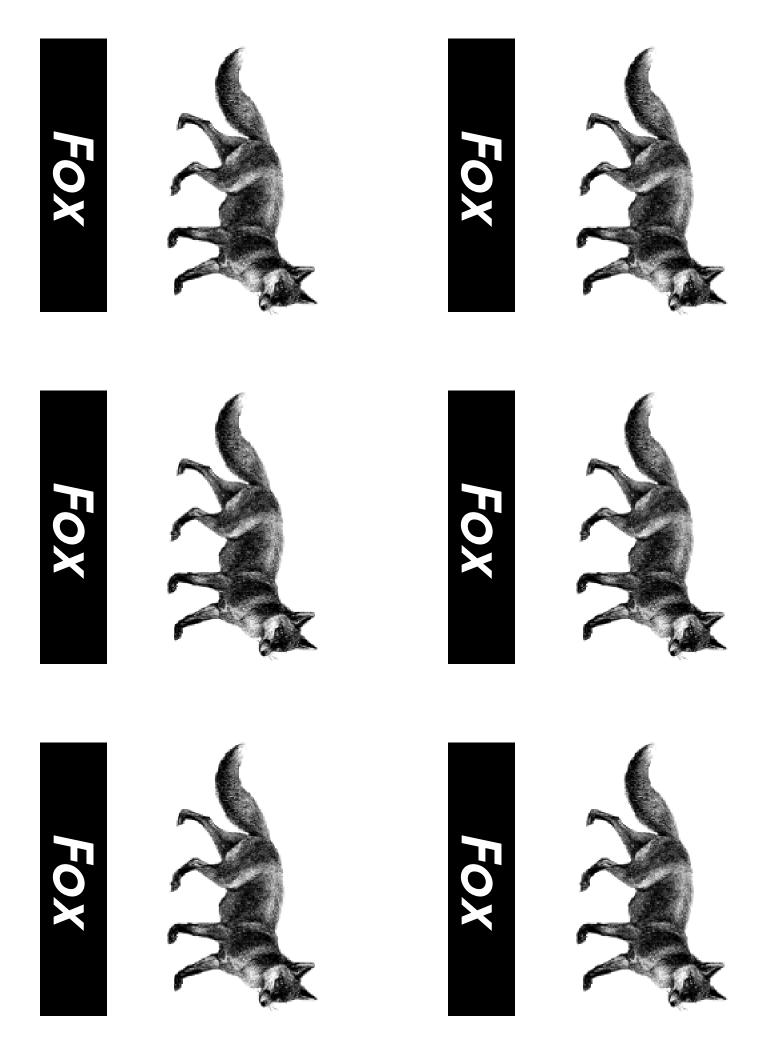
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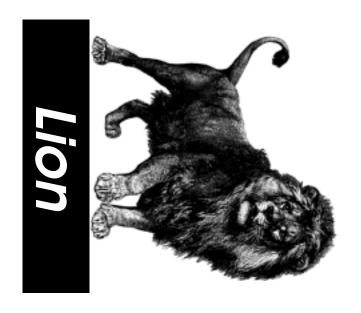
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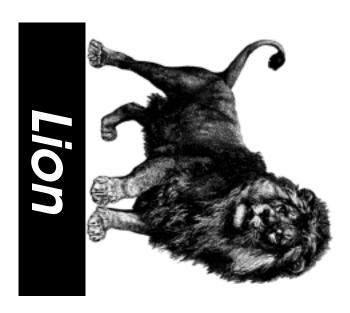
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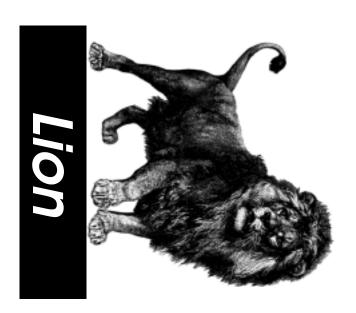
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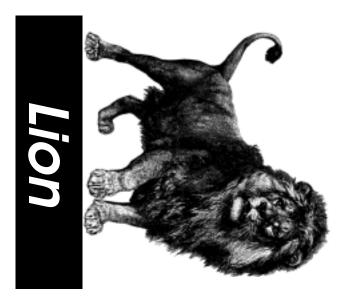
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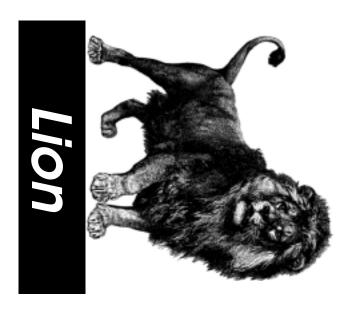
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