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Three giraffes are standing against a solid orange background. The giraffe on the left is slightly behind the other two. The giraffe in the middle is facing forward, and the giraffe on the right is also facing forward but slightly to the side. They are all standing on their hind legs, with their long necks extended upwards. The giraffes have a brown and white spotted pattern.

GIRAFFES LAS JIRAFAS

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Long-Necked Mammals / Mamíferos de cuello largo



Giraffes are the
tallest animals on land.
They have very long necks.
They have long legs, too.
If a giraffe stood next to
a house, it could look in
a second-floor window!

Las **jirafas** son los
animales más altos sobre
la tierra. Tienen cuellos
muy largos. También
tienen patas largas. ¡Si
una jirafa se parara junto
a una casa, podría mirar
hacia adentro por la
ventana del segundo piso!

There are nine kinds of giraffes.

Hay nueve tipos de jirafas.





GIRAFES
LAS JIRAFAS





Giraffe spots are golden yellow to dark brown in color.

Las manchas de la jirafa son de un color amarillo dorado a marrón oscuro.

Giraffes have light **yellow** or white fur with darker spots. Each giraffe has its own **pattern** of spots. All giraffes have two bumps on top of their heads. These are called ossicones.

Las jirafas tienen un pelaje **amarillo** claro o blanco con manchas más oscuras. Cada jirafa tiene su propio **patrón** de manchas. Todas las jirafas tienen dos protuberancias en la cabeza. Estas se llaman osiconos.

pattern the way something is arranged

patrón la manera en que algo está dispuesto o acomodado





Towering Animals / Animales imponentes

Giraffes are **heavy** animals. Adults weigh about as much as a car. Even though they weigh so much, giraffes can run fast. But they usually walk. Each foot is the size of a dinner plate!

Las jirafas son animales **pesados**. Los adultos pesan lo mismo que un automóvil. Aunque pesan tanto, las jirafas pueden correr rápido. Pero por lo general caminan. ¡Cada pata es del tamaño de un plato!

Giraffes have the longest tails of any land animal.

Las jirafas tienen las colas más largas que cualquier animal terrestre.



