Eagles

Comparing Texts

Instruction : Read the following texts about "Eagle"!

Text 1

Eagle is any of many large, heavy-beaked, big-footed birds of prey belonging to the family Accipitridae (order Falconiformes). In general, an eagle is any bird of prey more powerful than a buteo. An eagle may resemble a vulture in build and flight characteristics but has a fully feathered (often crested) head and strong feet equipped with great curved talons. A further difference is in foraging habits: eagles subsist mainly on live prey. They are too ponderous for effective aerial pursuit but try to surprise and overwhelm their prey on the ground. Like owls, many decapitate their kills. Because of their strength, eagles have been a symbol of war and imperial power since Babylonian times. Their likeness is found on Greek and Roman ruins, coins, and medals. Eagles are monogamous. They mate for life and use the same nest each year. They tend to nest in inaccessible places, incubating a small clutch of eggs for six to eight weeks. The young mature slowly, reaching adult plumage in the third or fourth year.

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Text 2

World Bird Sanctuary Rescues Bald Eagle Trapped by Flooding

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A rehab team with the World Bird Sanctuary rescued an injured bald eagle Monday that had been trapped in a flooded area in Portage Des Sioux. According to a post on the sanctuary"s Facebook page, a passerby named Zac Beck spotted the bald eagle while on his boat and noticed the giant bird couldn't seem to fly. Beck notified the World Bird Sanctuary and then used his boat to ferry the rehab team to a clump of trees where the eagle was perched. The rescuers immediately noticed the eagle was dehydrated, emaciated, and covered in old puncture wounds. The bird was safely recovered and taken to the sanctuary. The medical staff at the World Bird Sanctuary believe the injured bald eagle lost a fight with another eagle and those injuries kept him from flying. The sanctuary said most of the eagle's puncture wounds have already healed and the staff is working to get him properly hydrated and fed.

Text 3

"The Eagle"

By Alfred, Lord Tennyson

He clasps the crag with crooked hands;
Close to the sun in lonely lands,
Ring'd with the azure world, he stands.

The wrinkled sea beneath him crawls;
He watches from his mountain walls,
And like a thunderbolt he falls.



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"Group Discussion"

We are from group _____

Based on the three texts, reform again the meaning of literature.

What similarities do the texts have?

What differences do the texts have?

What does each author of the texts try to communicate to his/her readers? Which messages are easier and which ones are harder to understand? Why do you think so?

Which text can be characterized as literary work? Please give your reason for your answer.

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