

Name _____

Day _____

READING TEXT

My Mom, the Airplane

There are not many whooping _____ in the world. People have to protect these _____ and help them _____ safely. There are some special places in North _____ where people _____ the whooping crane's eggs. They then take _____ of the baby cranes.

These cranes have no _____ to follow, so they follow a scientist who wears a crane _____ and they walk with a small _____. They listen to the airplane, too. Soon they are happy to fly with the airplanes—they think the airplane is their _____!

Before the weather gets _____, cranes have to fly to _____ places. They don't have a mother to _____ them where to go. So they _____ an airplane. Some journeys are more than _____ days!

And in the _____, when the weather is warm again, they _____ back on their own! These birds can then teach a new generation of _____ cranes where to go _____ year.

birds

cranes

care

live

suit

America

protect

mothers

airplane

mother

cold



All birds come from dinosaurs!

warm

teach

follow

70

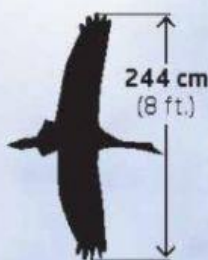
fly

young

spring

next

Wingspans



46 cm
(1.5 ft.)

parrot

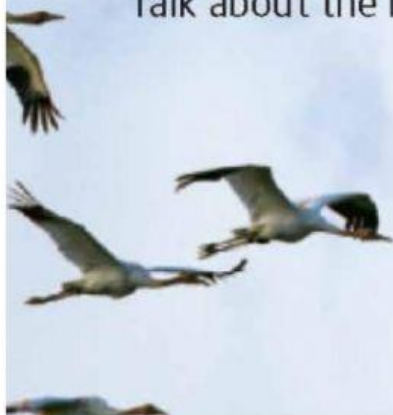
14 Read. Underline the incorrect word and write the correct one.

1. People protect the whooping crane's eggs
in some special places in South America. _____
2. The cranes follow the airplane to cold places. _____
3. Some of their journeys are more than 70 weeks. _____
4. In the summer, the cranes fly back on their own. _____
5. The wingspan of a whooping crane is six feet. _____

15 Read. Number the sentences in order.

- ☐ The cranes fly with airplanes to warm places.
- ☒ 1 People protect the crane's eggs.
- ☐ The cranes walk with airplanes.
- ☐ The cranes fly back on their own.
- ☐ Baby cranes come out of the eggs.

16 Work with a partner.
Talk about the reading.



The cranes don't have mothers.



The cranes follow airplanes to warm places.