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Swan Song



## Drag and drop synonyms

Every people has its own way of saying things, its own special expressions. These are the living speech of a people. And a story can be told about each of them.

The white swan - with its long, graceful neck - is among the most beautiful of birds. The swan is mostly silent through its life. It floats quietly on the water, unable to sing sweet songs like most other birds.

In ancient times, however, people believed that the swan was given a special gift of song at the end of its life. They believed a swan sings a most beautiful song…just before it dies.

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