1) Read and complete the article with ten verbs:

BECOME – CLEAN – DIE – FEED – FEEL – FIND – GIVE – GO

GROW – HOPE – HEAR – PASS – STAY – TAKE – TRY – WANT

PENGUIN SWIMS 5,000 MILES EVERY YEAR

TO VISIT THE MAN WHO SAVED HIS LIFE!

João says, 'I love the penguin like he's my own child, and I believe the penguin loves me.'

Joao Pereira de Souza, 71, lives on an island near Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. He is a retired bricklayer but still works as a part-time fisherman. One day, about five years ago, * he _____ a tiny, sick penguin on the beach near his home. The penguin's feathers were covered in oil, *. Joao _____ sorry for the sick, little bird, and so he _____ him back to his home. He cleaned him and _____ him sardines, and he _____ him the name 'Dindim'. The penguin soon _____ strong and healthy again.



João and Dindim

After a week or two. Joao _____ down to the seashore and _____ to put Dindim back into the water. The penguin didn't want to go. He stayed with Joao, getting bigger and bigger – beautiful new feathers _____ on his back. Eight months passed. Joao was very happy *. Then suddenly, one day in February, Dindim disappeared. Joao was sad to lose him, but hoped that the bird just wanted to return to his penguin family. Four more months passed, * when suddenly he _____ a familiar 'honking' sound – Dindim was back.

Every year since then, Dindim spends eight months with Joao and then disappears for four months. Where does he go? It is thought that he swims 2,500 miles to the coast of Argentina or Chile to start a penguin family and the swims 2,500 miles back to Joao. That's 5,000 miles a year to be with the man who saved his life.

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2) Answer these questions:

- ★ Who is Joao Pereira de Souza? Who is Dindim?
- ★ Where did Joao find Dindim?
- ★ Where does Dindim swim to every year?

3) These lines are from the text. Read it again and decide where they go:

* *the poor bird was dying*

* *because he was enjoying the company of his new friend*

* *when he was fishing*

* *Joao was walking sadly home from the beach*

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