

Penguin Chick - Reading Comprehension

Choose the correct answer to complete each sentence.

1 - Why does it take three days for the mother penguin to reach the water?

- a. She gets lost in a snowstorm.
- b. The shore is frozen for miles.
- c. She stops to play with the other mothers.

2- What must a father penguin do to keep the egg on his feet?

- a. shuffle when he walks
- b. slide across the ice on his belly
- c. huddle with other penguin fathers

3- How do father penguins survive without food while they care for their chicks?

- a. They have a layer of fat that keeps them alive.
- b. The mother penguins bring them food each day.
- c. They bring up food that is stored in their stomach.

4- Why is it important for a chick's down to be fluffy?

- a. It makes the chick look cute.
- b. It helps keep the chick warm.
- c. It makes the chick's coat waterproof.

5- How do penguins send messages to each other?

- a.by flapping their wings
- b.by doing a special dance
- c.by trumpeting and whistling

6- What would happen to a penguin if its skin got wet while swimming?

- a.It would get cold.
- b.It would feel hungry.
- c.It would swim better.

7- What is a crèche?

- a. a group of young chicks
- b. a mother and father penguin
- c. the first stage of a chick's life

8- How does a chick change AFTER the first few months of its life?

- a. It stops growing bigger.
- b. It needs its parents less.
- c. It grows a fluffier coat of feathers.

**9- What is the last part of the article
MOSTLY about?**

- a.the junior penguin learning to care for an egg
- b.the junior penguin learning to trumpet messages
- c.the junior penguin learning to take care of himself.

10- Read the paragraph below.

Most birds build nests for their eggs. But on the ice in Antarctica, there are no twigs or leaves. There is no grass or mud. Nothing to build a nest with. Nothing but snow and ice.

What is the paragraph MOSTLY about?

- a. why grass does not grow in Antarctica
- b. why birds in Antarctica cannot build nests
- c. why most birds build nests of twigs and leaves