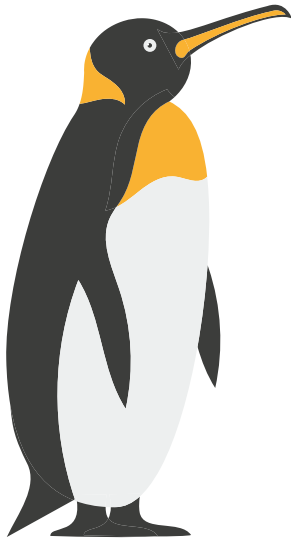


# Penguins

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Penguins are a type of birds, but they aren't like most birds. This is because they cannot fly. Though they have wings and feathers, penguins get around by waddling on their large, webbed feet. These feet help make them good swimmers. Penguins also get around by sliding across snow and ice on their large tummies.

Most penguins live in cold places. A thick layer of fat called blubber helps them stay warm. Their oily feathers also help them stay warm. Not all penguins live in the cold. Some live on warm islands.

Penguins eat fish, squid, krill, or shrimp. Most of them are black and white, but some types have other colors, too. They might have yellow or orange tufts of feathers on their heads or faces. Some have blue feathers instead of black. These fun birds come in all shapes and sizes. Some are short and stand less than one foot tall. Others can reach four feet tall. Smaller penguins can weigh as little as two or three pounds, and large ones can weigh almost one hundred pounds!

Penguins can live a long time. Some live up to thirty years! Not all of them live this long. Some live only five or six years. Like other birds, penguins lay eggs. The males keep the eggs warm until it is time for the eggs to hatch. Penguins travel in large groups called colonies. Inside the colony, the penguins live together as a family. This makes them very special.

- Katie Clark

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1) What is the text about?

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2) What do penguins eat?

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3) How large can some penguins grow?

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4) What is the name of a large group of penguins?

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5) Write an effect for each cause.

Cause	Effect
Penguins have a thick layer of fat called blubber.	
Penguins have large, webbed feet.	