



Activity Sheet 1a

Comprehension- Common Cranes (pg 32-39)

A) Answer the following questions in complete sentences.

1. Where would a pair of mating cranes make their nest?

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2. Do you think cranes would build their nests on trees? Support your answer.

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3. Explain why nesting is hard work for cranes.

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4. List 2 ways how cranes look after their young.

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5. Where do cranes go to spend the winter? Why?

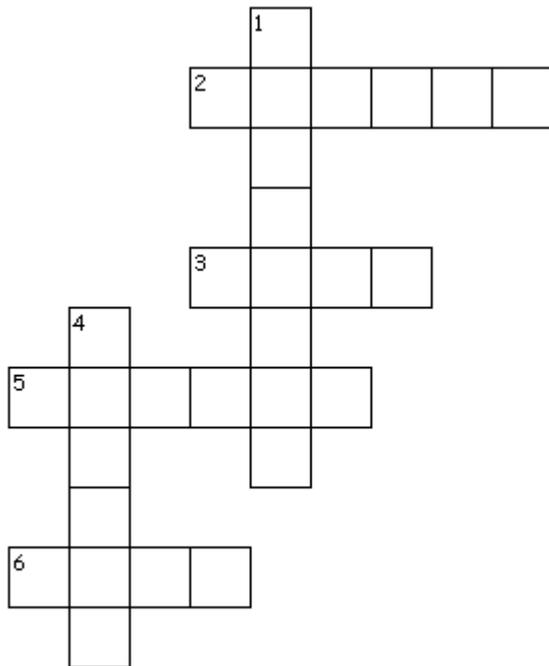
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6. Compare and contrast the way a crane flies in the day with the way it flies in the night.

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Activity 1b- Vocabulary

The answers can be found in the story. Can you solve the puzzle? Have fun!



Across

- 2. a small mammal with sharp front teeth
- 3. a place of activity
- 5. has a space inside
- 6. to make the wings move up and down

Down

- 1. path or passageway
- 4. divided into two parts

Comprehension

1. The nest can be found in a quiet pond in a forest.
2. No. Cranes weigh between 4 and 7kg and are considered large birds. Hence, the branches would not be able to take their weight when the crane takes turn to sit on the eggs.
3. The parents of the eggs have to take turns to sit on them and keep them at the right temperature for 4 weeks before they are hatched.
4. They help their young to look for food and teach them to fly.
5. They fly to Spain in winter as the country is warmer.
6. During the day, the cranes glide on warm air currents but at night, they have to flap their wings continually.

Vocabulary

Across: 2. rodent 3. site 5. hollow 6. beat
 Down: 1. corridor 4. forked



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