

# WRITING

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Answer the questions below.

## PENGUINS

Penguins are birds with black and white feathers. They have wings, but they can not fly. Instead, they spend most of their time gliding and soaring underwater! When they are on land, they waddle back and forth. A group of penguins that lives together is called a colony.

Penguins live near salt water, so that is what they drink. They have a special gland in their bodies that pushes the salt out of their beaks! Penguins find their food in the water too: fish, shrimp, and krill.

Penguins need to watch out for several predators. Some animals that eat penguins are leopard seals, sea lions, and orcas (killer whales).

Most people think about penguins living in very cold places like Antarctica, but they also live on the coasts of South America, Africa, Australia, and the Galapagos Islands.



- ★ What is a group of penguins called?
  
  
  
- ★ How are penguins different than other birds?
  
  
  
- ★ What do penguins eat?
  
  
  
- ★ Would you like to have a penguin for a pet? Why or why not?