

# Owls



On silent wings a bird swoops down in the moonlight. The bird is an owl. Owls are raptors. Raptors are birds of prey, meaning they are hunters that eat meat. They grab their prey with claws, called talons that are very sharp.

Most owls hunt at night. Day or night, they can see better than people. Most owls rely on their keen sense of hearing rather than their excellent vision. Owls are constantly turning their heads to hear better.



## **Hoot! Hoot! Screech! Screech!**

1. Owls are \_\_\_\_\_.
2. What does raptor mean? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Their claws are called \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Owls see \_\_\_\_\_ than people.
5. Why do owls constantly turn their heads? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Find the compound word in the story. \_\_\_\_\_

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