

The Ostrich

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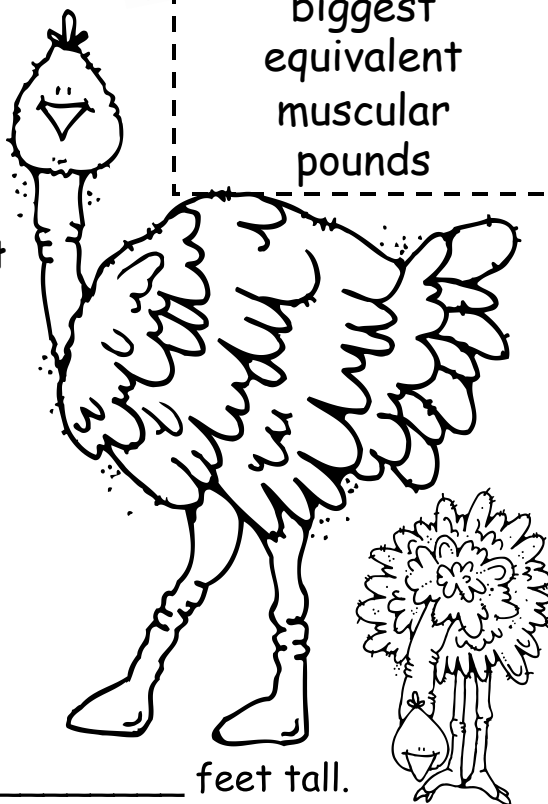
The ostrich is the biggest bird in the world and can grow as big as eight feet tall. It has long, muscular legs built for running. Each foot has two toes on it which help it run faster. The ostrich is much too heavy to fly. An ostrich can weigh as much as 300 or more pounds. It lays the biggest egg. One ostrich egg is equivalent to two dozen chicken eggs.

The ostrich eats mainly leaves, roots and seeds. It gets water from the plants it eats. The ostrich lives in the dry deserts and savannas of Africa.



Star Words

biggest
equivalent
muscular
pounds



1. An ostrich can grow to be _____ feet tall.
2. Why can't an ostrich fly? _____

3. They eat _____, _____ and _____.
4. How can ostriches run really fast? _____

5. What does the word equivalent mean? Circle the correct answer below.

less than

equal to

more than

** Color the black and white pictures.

** Highlight the "star" words in the writing