

Penguins

Penguins are flightless birds. This means that they cannot fly.

They spend part of their time on land and in the sea.

They are excellent swimmers. They use their wings like flippers and their webbed feet to swim.

They have thick blubber under their feathers to keep warm. All penguins have dark backs and light colored chests. They look like they are wearing tuxedos.

Penguins nest together in colonies called rookeries.

This is where the chicks are born from eggs.

Penguins eat fish, squid, and krill.

Leopard seals, sea lions, and whales eat penguins.

All penguins live in the Southern Hemisphere or south of the equator.



The Little Blue Penguin is the smallest penguin, 16 inches.
The Emperor Penguin is the largest penguin, 3-4 feet tall.



1. Penguins eat _____, _____, and _____.
2. Penguins have thick _____ to help stay warm.
3. What does flightless mean? _____
4. All penguins live in the _____.
5. Name an animal that would eat a penguin. _____

