

Discover: Adaptation - Activity Sheet 1

Match the animal to the **adaptation**.
Draw a line between the animal and one of its adaptations.

Tawny Owl

Sharp teeth for tearing meat.

Grey Seals

Gills for living under water.

Fox

Strong back legs for hopping around.

Tufted Duck

Soft feathers for silent hunting.

Peacock Butterfly

Long tongues for feeding on nectar.

Common Frog

Webbed feet for swimming.

Pike

A thick fat (blubber) layer to stay warm in freezing weather.

Name: _____

Animals **adapt** for different reasons. For each reason (underlined) circle the correct answers to show why these birds **adapted**.

Camouflage: Ross's Geese are white because they live in the:

- a) Canadian Arctic b) Sahara Desert c) Amazon Rainforest

Feeding: Goldeneye Duck's legs are further back on their bodies so they can:

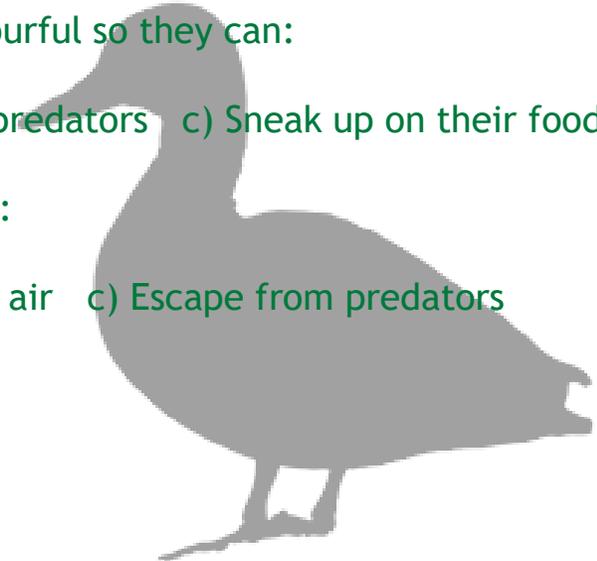
- a) Run to catch food b) Dive under water for food c) Climb trees to feed

Breeding: Male ducks are very colourful so they can:

- a) Attract a female b) Hide from predators c) Sneak up on their food

Survival: Ducks can fly very fast to:

- a) Stay warm b) Catch flies in the air c) Escape from predators



Discover: Adaptation 2

Flamingos are very special birds. They have adapted to live in places where other birds can't live. They have adapted to feed in very salty water by being able to let the salt leak out of their nostrils.

How else have they **adapted** to their environment?

Long _____ for wading into deep water.

Large _____ to stop them sinking in the soft mud at the bottom of the lakes, then can also use their _____ when swimming.

Their angled _____ enables them to feed with their head upside down; this and their strong _____ means they can filter food out of the mud and swallow only the food.

Long necks mean they can look out for predators even when a large flock is feeding together. They can also stretch further for food.

legs - necks - bill - webbed feet - tongue

Name: _____

Red squirrels have **adapted** to live in trees and eat nuts, bark, and seeds. Fill in the missing words using the list below to discover these adaptations.



Long back _____ for jumping between trees.

Very sharp _____ for clinging on to the trunk and branches of the trees when climbing.

A long bushy _____ for balance.

Large incisor _____ for gnawing through hard nuts.

Double-jointed _____ to help them climb up trees and also climb down the trees head-first.

ankles - legs - teeth - tail - claws