

ge 11 Lesson 2

1.How does a pelican's beak help it survive in its environment?

A pelican's beak is designed to catch fish. It opens wide and stretches so the bird can scoop up fish and water. Then it strains out the water so that the pelican can swallow just the fish.

2. How would pelicans be affected if fish were no longer available, and they had to eat small seeds?

A pelican would probably have trouble picking up small seeds with that big curved beak. It probably would not be able to get enough food.

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adaptation - a change in a population that enables it to survive in its environment (can be a body part or a behavior)

offspring - the descendants (babies, young) of organisms

population - all members of a species in an area/region

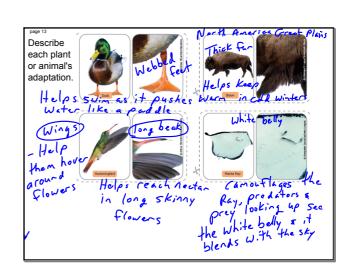
species - a group of similar organisms that reproduce with each other and have fertile offspring (have babies that can have babies)

organism - a living thing



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Lab activity - page 15 in notebook, follow the instructions in the lab manual to investigate ear positions and webbed feet.

While you are waiting for the water tank to be available you can be cutting out your "Who am I" and "Where I Live" cards.

You will be matching the "Who am I" to the "Where I Live" cards and gluing them to the pages in your notebook on pages 16-18.

When we finish reading the Learn More section of the lab manual, answer the question on page 19.

2. Explain how adaptations help living things survive in different environments. Use the activities from this lesson as evidence for your ideas.

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Vocabulary - adaptation, population, species, offspring

Write a paragraph that describes the process of adaptation for a species. Include all of the vocabulary words in your description.