

Duck Travel

This is how ducks travel. They swim, walk, or fly.

When ducks swim, they paddle with their webbed feet. They go slow, but are good swimmers. Their feet are flat with three toes.

When ducks walk, they walk side-to-side. This is called a waddle. They walk slower than they can swim. They walk to their nest, or to get food, or to go to another pond.

When ducks fly, they go like an airplane. They go in a V-form. They go to other ponds by flying. They also fly south in the winter to get out of the cold.

They come back in the spring.

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Objective 1:

Context Clues.

In this selection, the word “Waddle” means --

- A A kind of toy for a baby.
- B A slow kind of walk.
- C A kind of thing that makes boats go.
- D A slow kind of flying.

Specialized/Technical Terms.

In this selection, “V-form” means --

- A The kind of airplane that ducks fly in.
- B The shape of the formation that ducks fly in.
- C The letter of the alphabet that ducks like best.
- D A grade that is lower than an “F.”

Objective 2:

Fact/Details.

How many toes does a duck have?

- A 2
- B 3
- C 4
- D Not given

Sequential Order.

What happens right after it gets cold in the winter?

- A Ducks go south.
- B Ducks go north.
- C Ducks don’t know where to go.
- D Ducks are shot by hunters.

Describe the setting of the story.

Ducks often stay in

- A Ponds, barns, and swamps
- B Farms, Markets, and playgrounds
- C Ponds, lakes, and rivers
- D None of these

Objective 3:

Main Idea.

What is the main idea of this selection?

- A Ducks are good to eat.
- B Ducks can travel in many ways.
- C Ducks are too fat to swim.
- D Ducks should learn to fly airplanes.

Best Summary.

Which of the following is the best summary of the passage?

- A Ducks can travel in three ways.
- B Ducks wish that they could fly in airplanes.
- C The only letter of the alphabet that ducks know is “V.”
- D Ducks only have one way to get south.

Objective 4:

Identify Causes of Event or Actions.

Cold weather in winter causes ducks to fly south because

- A They like to get some exercise.
- B They can't find food under the snow.
- C They have a lot of body fat.
- D They forget they way without a map.

Predict Future Outcomes.

Which of the following is likely to happen?

- A Ducks will fly south in July.
- B Ducks will make a nest under water.
- C Ducks will fly south in December.
- D Ducks will make their nest in the snow.

Objective 5:

Drawing Logical Conclusions.

Without "Webbed Feet" ducks would probably need--

- A Motors
- B Fins
- C A bigger tail
- D Longer arms.

Understand the Feelings and Emotions of the Characters.

The ducks probably fell --- when hunters shoot at them.

- A Angry
- B Scared
- C Silly
- D Dumb

Objective 6:

Distinguish between Fact and Non-fact.

Which of the following is a FACT found in this passage?

- A Ducks have too many toes.
- B Ducks are delicious water birds.
- C Ducks have three toes on each foot.
- D Ducks like to fly south in the winter.