

GULLS

Misunderstood Animals: #7

Animal Type:

- ☐ Amphibian
- ☐ Bird
- ☐ Fish
- ☐ Invertebrate
- ☐ Mammal
- ☐ Reptile

Diet:

- ☐ Carnivore
- ☐ Herbivore
- ☐ Omnivore

Habitat:

- ☐ Desert
- ☐ Grassland
- ☐ Forest
- ☐ Arctic
- ☐ Urban (cities)

Basic stats:

Number of species: _____

Largest: _____

Smallest: _____

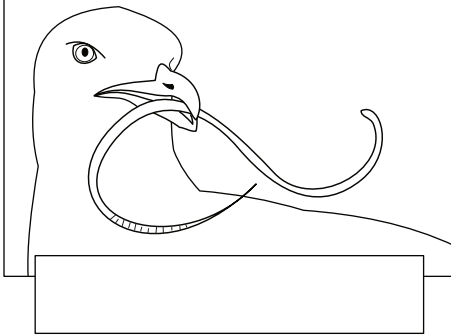
Species in North America: _____

Most common species: _____

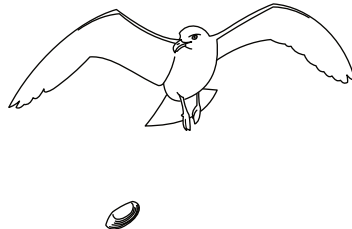
Lifespan: _____

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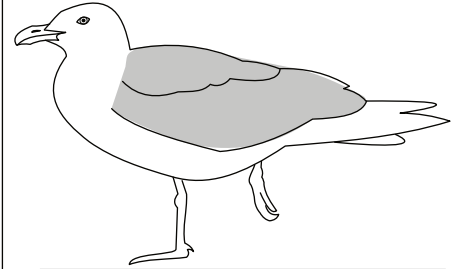
Gulls stamp their feet to imitate rain and trick worms into coming to the surface



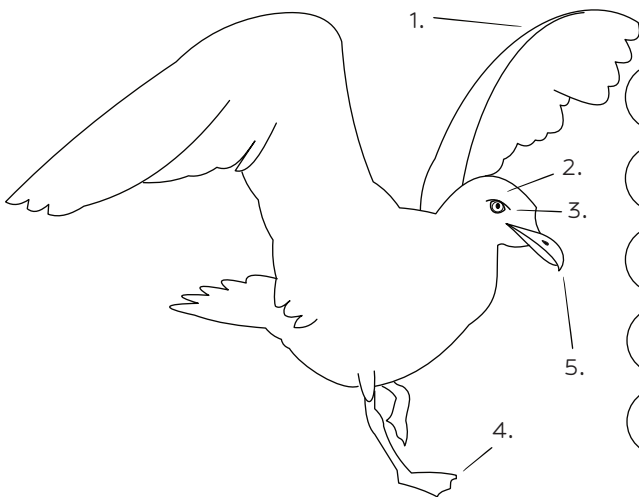
Gulls drop mollusks onto rocks to break them open to eat



Gulls stand on one leg to keep cool



Match each feature with its corresponding function:



1 Broad wings

2 Supraorbital glands

3 Eyes

4 Webbed feet

5 Hooked bill

Allows them to drink salt water! Extra salt is excreted from their nostrils .

Helps gulls to swim, float and maintain position on the water

Provides ability to fly with a fine balance between soaring and maneuverability

Gives them far-seeing panoramic vision and ability to see UV light

Aids gulls' opportunistic and diverse feeding habits. Used for grasping and tearing food, and carrying objects

Favorite Gull Fact: