

## Cloze reading: Paragraphs

### Grade 3 Reading Worksheet

Fill in the blanks with the best words from the Word Bank.  
Cross out the words as you use them.

#### Word Bank

cold	squid	find	sliding
feathers	water	white	warm

Penguins are birds that live in \_\_\_\_\_ places, like Antarctica. They can't fly, but they are great swimmers! Penguins have strong flippers that help them move quickly in the \_\_\_\_\_ to catch fish. They also have thick \_\_\_\_\_ to keep them warm. Penguins live in groups called colonies, and they take care of their babies by keeping them \_\_\_\_\_ in a special spot under their bellies. Even though they waddle when they walk, penguins are really good at \_\_\_\_\_ on their bellies across the ice! Penguins are black and \_\_\_\_\_, which helps them blend in with their surroundings while swimming. Some penguins can dive very deep to find food, like krill and \_\_\_\_\_. They also make loud calls to communicate with each other, especially when they need to \_\_\_\_\_ their families in big crowds!



## Answers

Penguins are birds that live in cold places, like Antarctica. They can't fly, but they are great swimmers! Penguins have strong flippers that help them move quickly in the water to catch fish. They also have thick feathers to keep them warm. Penguins live in groups called colonies, and they take care of their babies by keeping them warm in a special spot under their bellies. Even though they waddle when they walk, penguins are really good at sliding on their bellies across the ice! Penguins are black and white, which helps them blend in with their surroundings while swimming. Some penguins can dive very deep to find food, like krill and squid. They also make loud calls to communicate with each other, especially when they need to find their families in big crowds!