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Level 0 – 4th May, 2021

Researchers find most 'instagrammable' bird

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Please try Levels 1, 2 and 3. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

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We put many photos online. Researchers looked at what bird photos people "liked". They did research on the photo-sharing app Instagram. They wanted to know: "What makes a great bird photo?" They found the most 'instagrammable' bird is the frogmouth. This is a nocturnal bird that lives in India and Australia.

The researchers looked at 30,000 bird photos. They used a programme to find which photos got the most "likes". The frogmouth was top because of its large eyes. Most birds' eyes are on the sides of their head, but the frogmouth's eyes are in the centre. This makes it look human, cute and cuddly.

Sources: <https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-56946165>
<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2021/apr/30/researchers-find-frogmouth-is-worlds-most-instagrammable-bird>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. We put many photos | a. research |
| 2. what bird photos people | b. is the frogmouth |
| 3. They did | c. "liked" |
| 4. the photo-sharing | d. bird |
| 5. They wanted | e. photo |
| 6. a great bird | f. app |
| 7. the most 'instagrammable' bird | g. online |
| 8. This is a nocturnal | h. to know |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. researchers looked at | a. the centre |
| 2. which photos got | b. was top |
| 3. The frogmouth | c. cuddly |
| 4. because of its large | d. the most "likes" |
| 5. on the sides | e. it look human |
| 6. the frogmouth's eyes are in | f. 30,000 bird photos |
| 7. This makes | g. of their head |
| 8. cute and | h. eyes |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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We (1) _____ online. Researchers looked
(2) _____ photos people "liked".
(3) _____ on the photo-sharing app Instagram.

They (4) _____: "What makes a great bird
photo?" They (5) _____ 'instagrammable' bird is
the frogmouth. This is a nocturnal bird (6) _____
India and Australia.

The (7) _____ 30,000 bird photos. They used a
programme (8) _____ photos got the most
"likes". The frogmouth (9) _____ of its large
eyes. Most (10) _____ on the sides of their head,
but the frogmouth's (11) _____ the centre. This
makes it look human, (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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BIRD PHOTOS SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about bird photos in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

