

# All-Black Penguin Is 'One in a Zillion'



## Reading Comprehension: How Well Did You Read?

Color the circle before the word that best completes each sentence.

- The ship's passengers gazed at the colony of \_\_\_\_\_ Penguins.  
 a. Atlantic       b. Emperor       c. King       d. Little
- From their ship, the passengers could see \_\_\_\_\_ of penguins.  
 a. hundreds       b. thousands       c. millions       d. zillions
- Andrew Evans was able to take \_\_\_\_\_ of the all-black penguin.  
 a. samples       b. feathers       c. pictures       d. patches
- The reason the penguin is all black is likely tied to the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ it has.  
 a. friends       b. enemies       c. feathers       d. melanin
- The passengers traveling aboard this ship shared a most \_\_\_\_\_ experience.  
 a. horrible       b. serious       c. unbelievable       d. expensive

## Language Practice: Building Vocabulary

Circle the word that means the same as the word in bold type.

- The ship traveled **slowly** along the coast of an island near Antarctica.  
lazily      rarely      rapidly      excitedly
- As the ship's passengers **scanned** the island scene, a few of them noticed an unusual sight.  
explored      viewed      walked      sailed
- Based on what Andrew Evans saw, the all-black penguin seemed to be in **excellent** health.  
questionable      superb      failing      natural
- The pictures Andrew Evans took are the first proof that an all-black penguin **exists**.  
survives      wobbles      surprises      exits
- "This is **astonishing**," said bird expert Allan Baker when he saw pictures of the penguin.  
shameful      pretty      frightening      amazing

## Reading Comprehension: What's the Main Idea?

Color the circle next to the statement that *best* sums up the main idea of this week's News for You article.

- a. King Penguins dive deeper than any other type of penguin.
- b. Passengers were traveling on a ship not far from the coast of Antarctica.
- c. A most amazing site has scientists and other people talking about penguins.
- d. The all-black penguin seems to be fitting in with other penguins in the colony.