For Advanced Kids Learners

Book 2

# Time to Talk

Lesson 19 Fun Facts About Flamingos





# Can you describe the birds?







## **Fun Facts About Flamingos**

Flamingos are pink water birds that live in lagoons and lakes. They are tall and thin birds with a big bill. Their long necks look like the letter S. Here are some fun facts about flamingos.







#### Read and learn

- The word "flamingo" comes from a Spanish word flamengo, which means fire.
- There are 6 different kinds of flamingos in the world.
- An adult flamingo's legs are longer than its body.
- The food they eat makes their feathers go pink.
- Baby flamingos are grey or white.





#### Read and learn

- Wild flamingos can live for 20 to 30 years.
- Female flamingos lay only one egg each year.
- Flamingos feed their babies with "crop milk".
- Flamingos often stand on one foot to preserve body heat.
- A flamingo flock can have more than a million birds.

**crop milk** milk produced by birds.



**preserve** to keep for future use **preserve body heat** to keep warm



flock



#### Match the words to the correct meanings.



- a. To keep for future use.
- b. A shallow body of salt water by the sea.
- c. A group of animals or birds of one kind that stays together.
- d. Milk produced by birds.
- e. The beak of a bird.

f. One of the soft and light parts of a bird that covers the body.

• Grammar

### look like

To be very similar to (someone or something)



Their long necks look like the letter S. You look just like your mother!

Make a sentence using "looks like".





• Comprehension check.

The body and feathers of a baby flamingo are pink.
True or False 2. In Spanish, the word "flamingo" means water.
An adult flamingo's leg is as long as its body.

Questions

How many kinds of flamingos are there around the world?
Why do flamingos often stand on one foot?
Why do they have pink feathers?

