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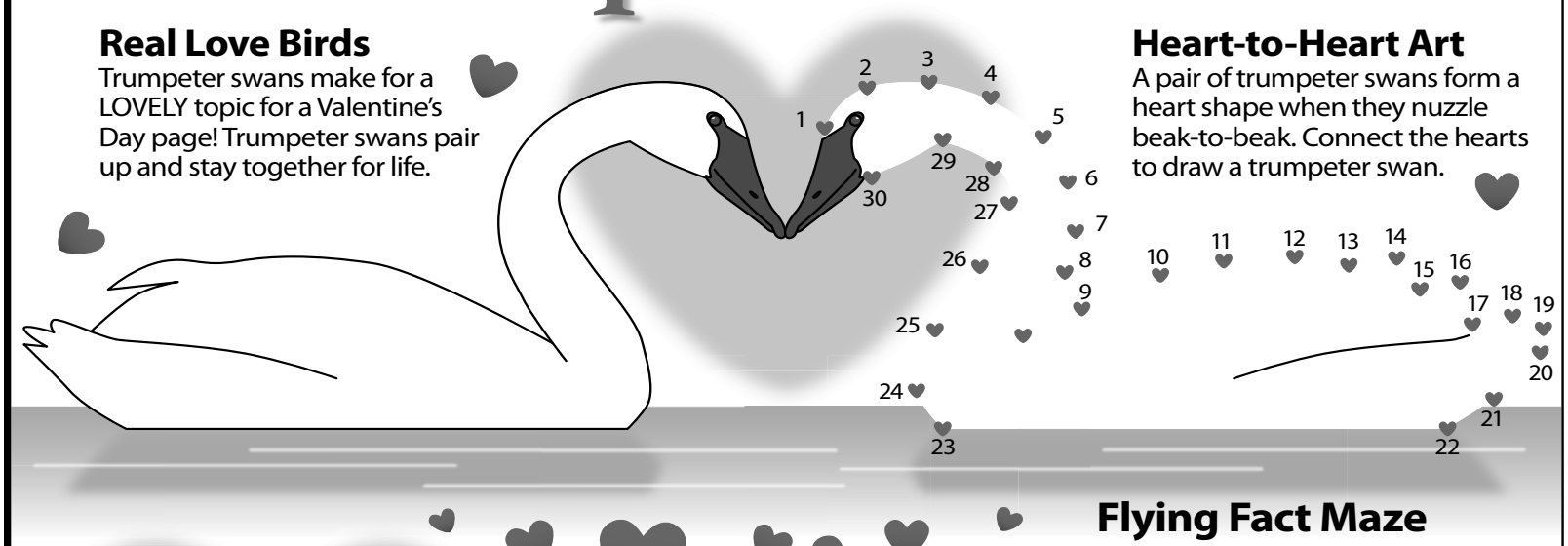
VALENTINE'S DAY

Trumpeter Swans

Challenge a friend to see who can find the most hearts on this page!

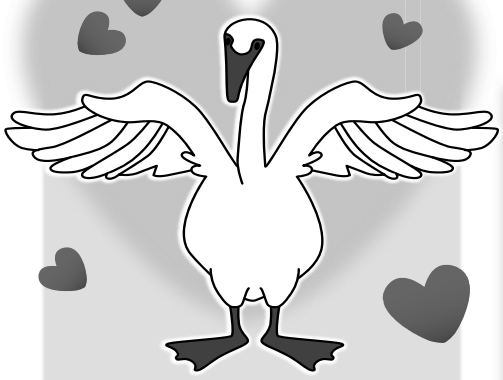
Real Love Birds

Trumpeter swans make for a LOVELY topic for a Valentine's Day page! Trumpeter swans pair up and stay together for life.



Heart-to-Heart Art

A pair of trumpeter swans form a heart shape when they nuzzle beak-to-beak. Connect the hearts to draw a trumpeter swan.



Large and Lovely

Trumpeter swans are the largest native waterfowl in North America. Do the math to find out how big they are:

An adult swan can grow to be 25 - 21 = _____ feet tall. (Are you taller than a trumpeter swan?)

A trumpeter swan's wingspan is about 21 - 14 = _____ feet wide.

A trumpeter swan weighs about 7 + 7 + 7 = _____ to 42 - 12 = _____ pounds.

Replace the missing words.

PLANTS BILLS DIVE SEEDS UPROOT

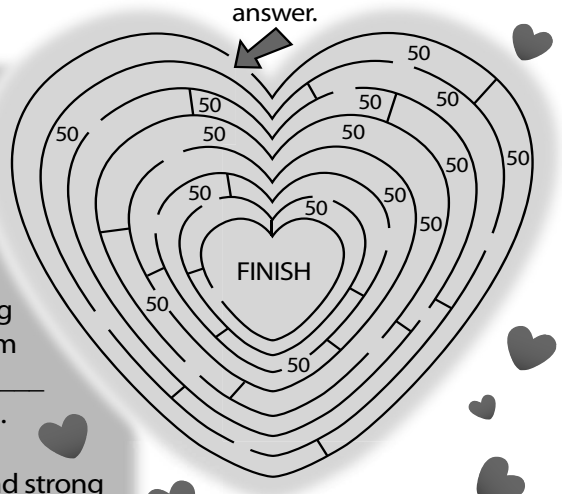
Trumpeters _____ underwater to eat plants. Their broad, flat _____ have tiny tooth-like notches along the edges to help them strain aquatic _____ from water as they feed.

The birds' long necks and strong feet allow them to _____ plants in water up to 4 feet deep.

These birds eat the leaves, _____ and roots of many kinds of pond weeds.

Flying Fact Maze

In order to take off, how many feet of water does a trumpeter swan need? Add the numbers on the correct path to the center of the heart to get the answer.



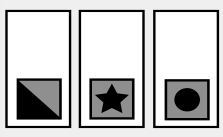
Why are they called "trumpeter" swans?

They make a noise that sounds like a person playing a trumpet! Hear their call at **kidscoop.com**

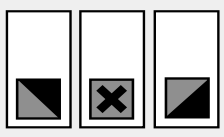
Trumpeter Swan Secret Code

● = B ✖ = E ◪ = N ◥ = P ▼ = U
◤ = C ◩ = G ★ = O ✔ = T ▲ = Y

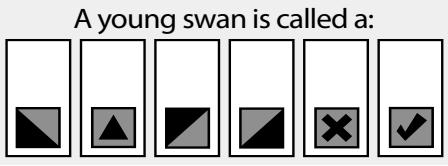
A male swan is called a:



A female swan is called a:



A young swan is called a:



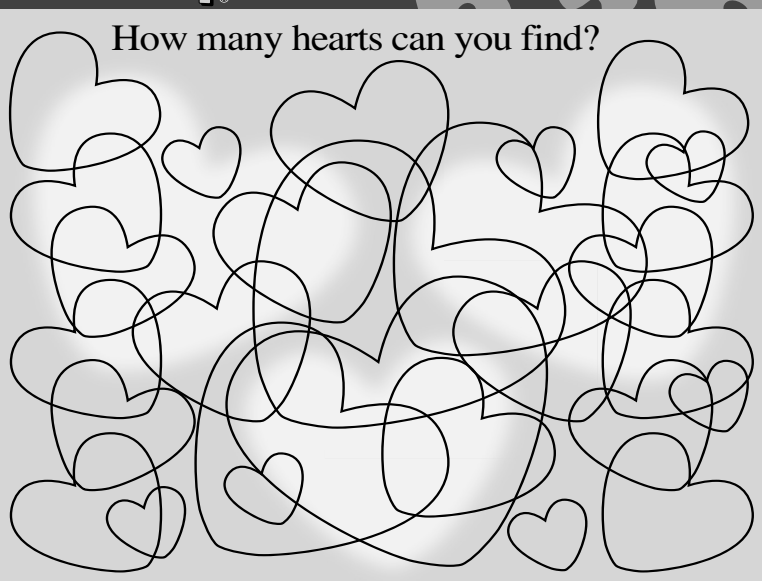
Extra! Extra! Measure Up!

Locate a photograph in the newspaper and make of list of the people, animals or things in the image. Measure each one in inches and in centimeters. Label each with the measurements.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

Kid Scoop Puzzler

How many hearts can you find?



Standards Link: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. How many of them can you find on this page?

UNDERWATER
TRUMPETER
WINGSPAN
FEATHERS
NOTCHES
AQUATIC
HEARTS
SWANS
WATER
WHITE
BILLS
NECKS
PAIR
STAY
EAT

U	N	D	E	R	W	A	T	E	R
P	A	H	S	L	L	I	B	I	E
A	R	E	T	E	P	M	U	R	T
Q	S	A	A	A	H	R	F	S	I
U	K	R	Y	T	R	C	W	O	H
A	C	T	R	E	P	A	T	L	W
T	E	S	T	I	N	A	F	O	E
I	N	A	P	S	G	N	I	W	N
C	W	F	E	A	T	H	E	R	S

Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recongized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Together: Fact and Opinion

The swans have long necks.

Trumpeter swans have white feathers and black bills.

These are all FACTS about trumpeter swans.

Can you write three opinions about them? (Remember, a fact is something that can be seen or proven true. An opinion is how a person feels about something.)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Kid Scoop FACT CHECKER

Some people say that a swan sings a song when it dies. That led to the term "swan song" meaning a person's last action before retiring or dying. But is this TRUE or FALSE? Hold the Fact Checker up to a mirror to find out.

Swans do not sing a song when they die. This is false.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word:
AQUATIC
The adjective **aquatic** means relating to water.

Ducks are **aquatic** birds that live on the lake.

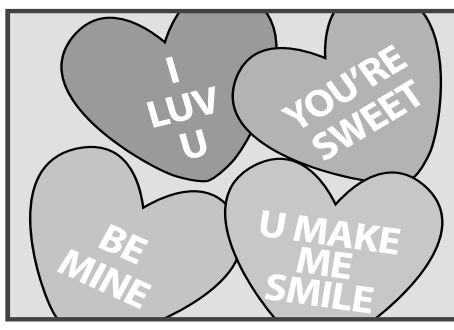
Use the word **aquatic** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.

FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Nouns and Nouns

Look through the newspaper for five singular nouns. Write them in a list on a piece of paper. Next to each noun, tell if it is a person, place or thing. Then next to that, write each noun in its plural form.

Standards Link: Language Arts: Students recognize nouns.



What kind of Valentine's Day candy is never delivered on time?

ANSWER: Chocolate.

Write On!

Valentine Surprise

Make up a story about a Valentine's Day surprise. Who was surprised? What was the surprise? Use five or more adjectives in your story.

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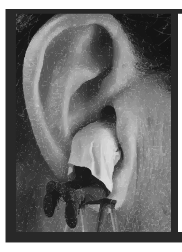
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