

Arizona Wildlife Podcast Comprehension Activity

Episode 8: Baby Eagle Biology

Part A: *Each statement below is incorrect. Determine what is wrong with each one and make changes so they will be correct.*

1. It will take the baby eagles one year to grow as large as the adults.
2. Smell is the most important sense for a bald eagle.
3. Instead of fingers, bald eagles use their feet to help push food down their throats.
4. Placing the hood over the baby eagle's head protects the biologist from the sharp and powerful beak.

Part B: *Define each of the terms below.*

1. Contour Feather
2. Talon
3. Thermoregulate

Part C: *Read the arguments presented below. Then, provide one statement for and one statement against each argument.*

1. The bald eagle was recently removed from the Endangered Species list. However, many people believe the southwestern bald eagle, found in Arizona, is a genetically unique group. They argue that this group of eagles should remain on the list.
2. Even though the bald eagle management can be resource intensive (time, staffing, and money) and a disturbance to the birds, many people argue that it is necessary.