

Making Inferences

Read the paragraph. Answer the questions.

Emperor penguin parents share the responsibilities of caring for their offspring. The female lays one egg, which she places on the male's feet. He keeps the egg between the top of his feet and a special fold of skin on his tummy. He is careful not to drop the egg. While the female goes back to the sea, the father huddles on the ice with other dads for two months. The males do not eat during this time. The female returns when the egg is ready to hatch. She feeds the chick a meal of fish. The male goes to find food in the sea for himself and the chick. Both parents then share the work of feeding the chick.



1 Fill in the correct circle to show whether each statement is a fact or an inference.

Fact Inference

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| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | A female emperor penguin lays one egg at a time. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | The male keeps the egg until it is ready to hatch. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | The male keeps the egg safe and warm. |
| <input type="radio"/> | <input type="radio"/> | The male is hungry by the time the chick hatches. |

2 Write **yes** or **no** under each heading on the chart to show if the word describes penguin parents.

| Impatient | Selfish | Dutiful |
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