

Pronounce & Spell

protesting

investigate

exclaimed

exhibits

scene

groceries

believed

obediently

Vocabulary

Write the meaning of each bold word or phrase.

1. when he saw that protesting did him no good, he recovered his **customary** dignity _____

2. Mr. Popper put on his best Sunday **derby** _____

3. Heaven **preserve** us! _____

4. These he **evidently** mistook for polar snow _____

5. for he began to peck at the window **vigorously**. _____

6. I'd think it was a **dodo**, only dodos are **extinct**. a) _____
b) _____
7. Spying the camera **tripod**, he walked over and examined it. _____

8. At last, Captain Cook, standing still beside Mr. Popper, **consented** to pose. _____

Comprehension Questions

1. Describe how Mr. Popper conducts his walk with Captain Cook. _____

2. How does Mrs. Callahan react to seeing the penguins? _____

3. What two kinds of birds do the photographer and the cameraman guess Captain Cook might be? _____

4. How did they convince themselves otherwise? _____

5. Why do you think the reporter does not believe Mr. Popper when he explains how Captain Cook came to live with him? _____

Activity

Complete the following:

- Research pelicans and dodos.
- Compare and contrast penguins, pelicans, and dodos.
- Draw a picture of each bird.
- Write a paragraph on dodos or pelicans. Read it aloud to the class.