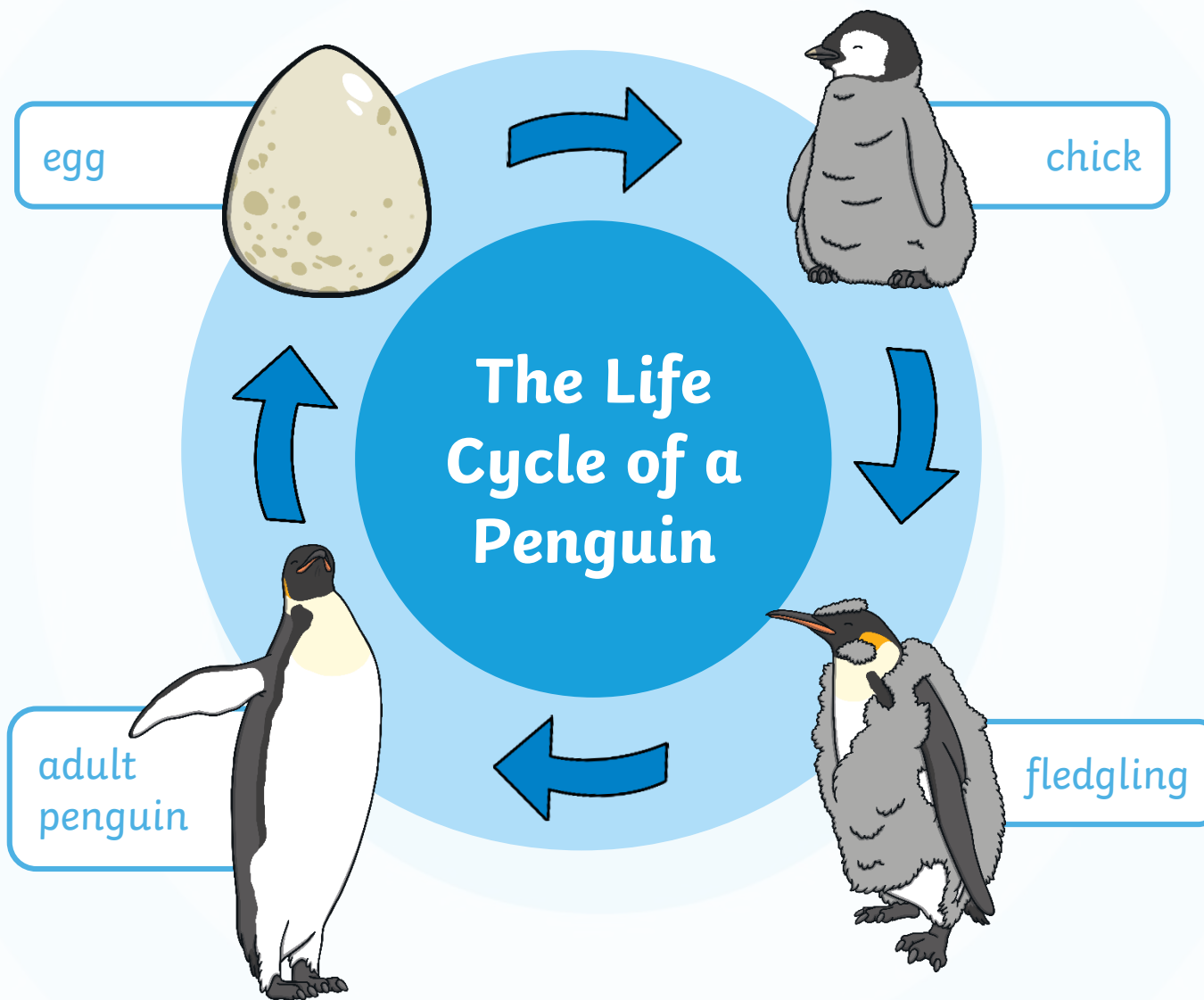




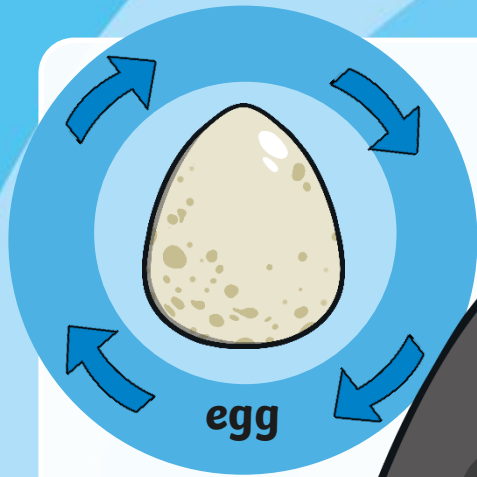
The Life Cycle of a Penguin



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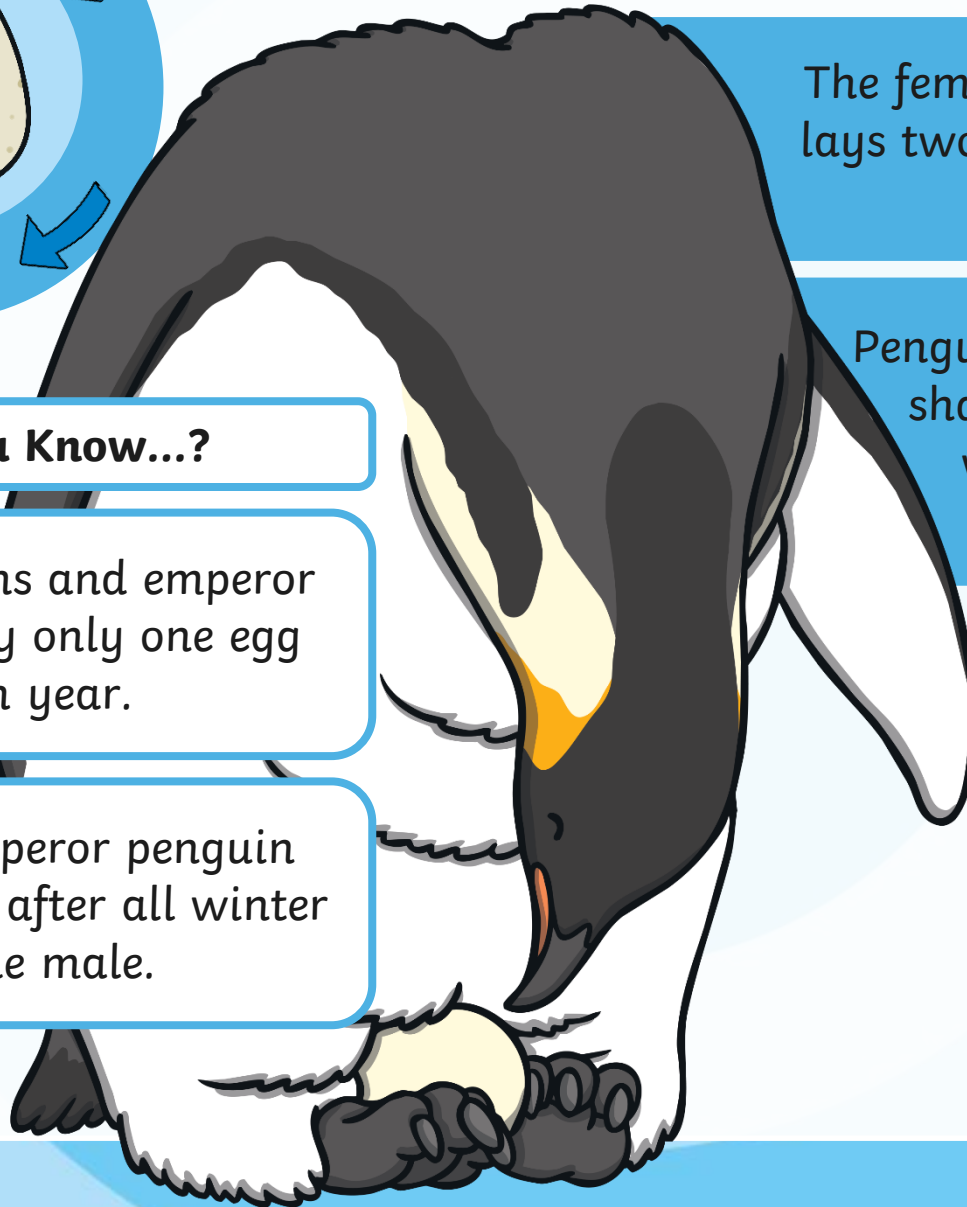
The female penguin usually lays two eggs. This is called a clutch.

Penguin partners usually share keeping the eggs warm. This is called incubating.

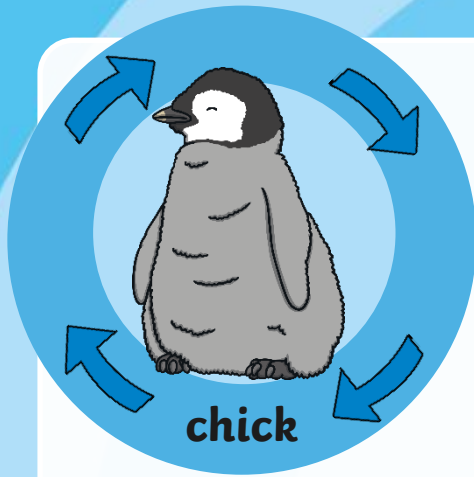
Did You Know...?

King penguins and emperor penguins lay only one egg each year.

Also, an emperor penguin egg is looked after all winter by the male.



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Did You Know...?

It can take nearly three days for a chick to hatch from its egg!

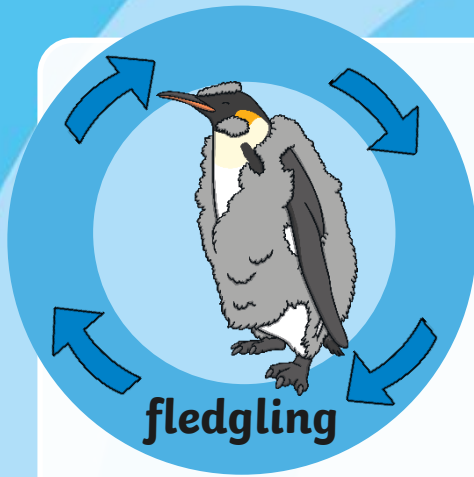


When the chicks are ready, they hatch out of their egg.

They poke a small hole in the egg with their beaks.

Their feathers are soft and downy. The chicks need their parents to feed and look after them.

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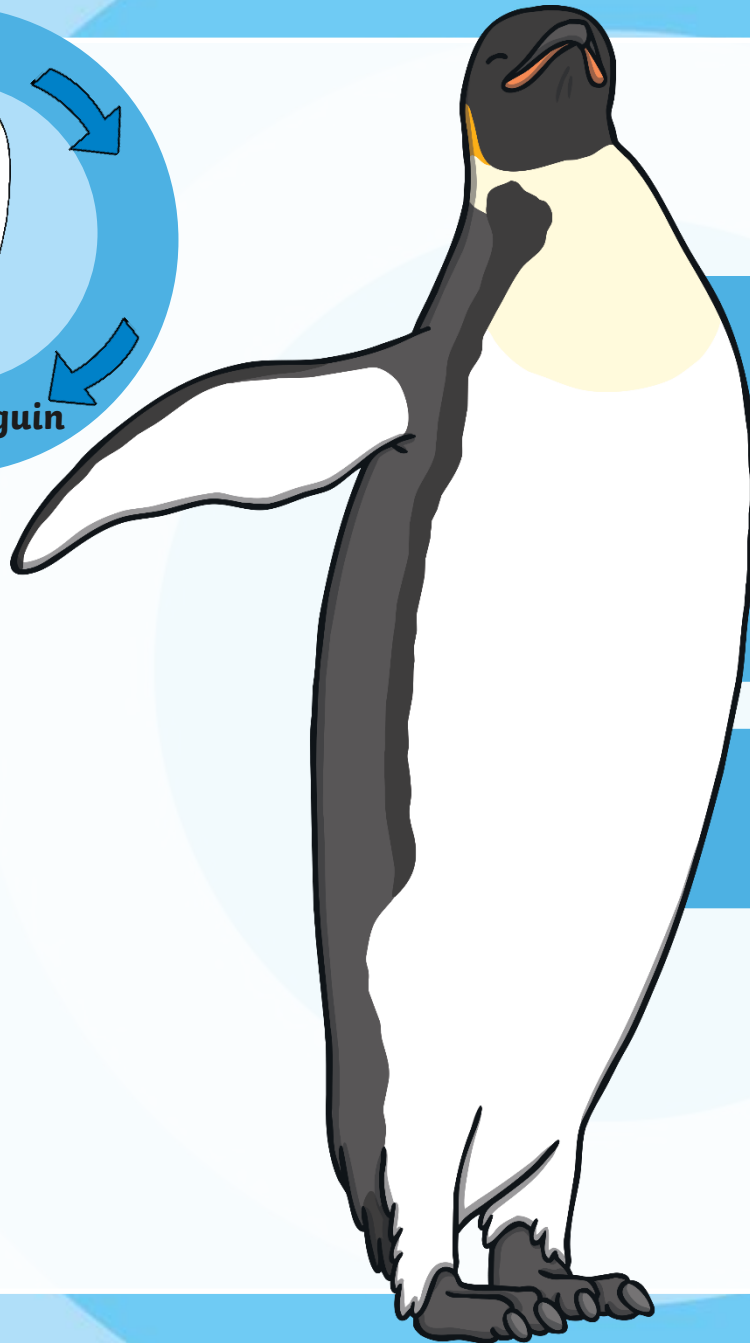
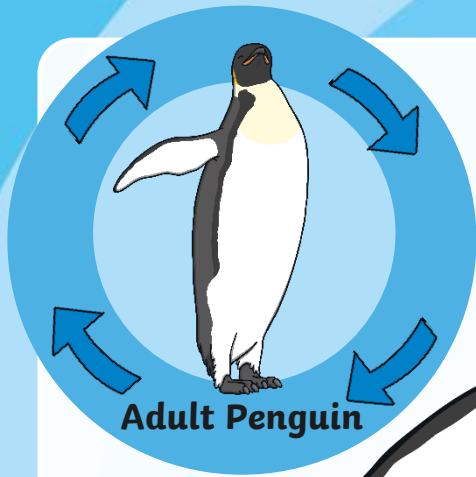
The adults feed the chick food from their own stomachs. This is called regurgitating.

The chick must grow new waterproof feathers before it can go out to sea (fledge).

When it has waterproof feathers, the fledgling is independent.

It can dive and hunt for food by itself.

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Penguins spend half their time on land, half in the sea.

They can take a few years to be ready to find a mate.

Penguins can live up until 20 years old!

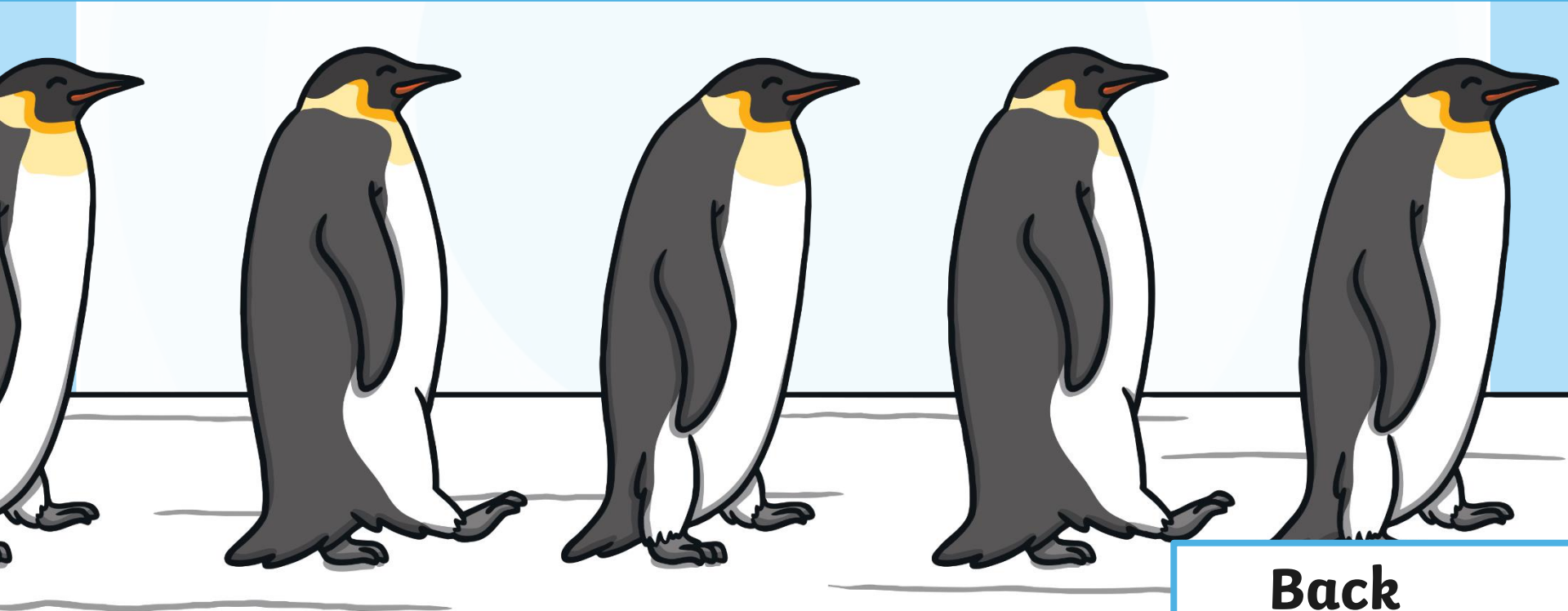
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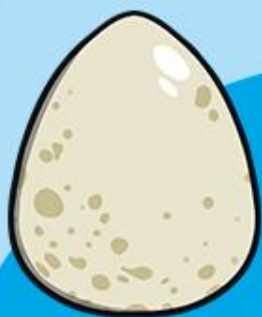
Penguins are birds but they cannot fly.

They use their wings to help them swim.

Penguins live together in a group called a colony.



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