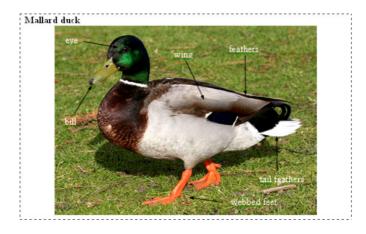
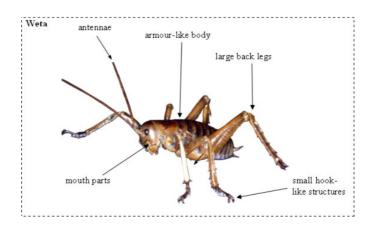
# Features of mallard ducks and weta

# **Instructions:**

You will work with a partner.

- . One person takes the picture of the duck, the other the wētā.
- . Explain to your partner how all the labelled parts of your animal help it to survive in the wild.
- . Next, ask your partner to explain how all the labelled parts of the other animal help it to survive in the wild.
- . Mark each other's work using the answer guide.





# Peer assessment sheet

Student assessment marking sheet for the Mallard duck					
Name of student: Date:					
Assessment done by:					
My partner clearly explained how each labelled part helps the duck survive. (Tick Yes, No, or Partly).					
	Yes	No	Partly		
Eye					
Bill					
Feathers					
Webbed feet					
Tail feathers					
Wing					
Notes:					

# **Answers for mallard duck**

- Eye: On the side of the head so it can see predators.
- Bill: The right shape for scooping up water and straining out its food
- Feathers: Keep the duck warm, or used for flight, or provide camouflage.
- Webbed feet: Help move the bird through the water.
- Tail feathers: Used in flight for steering or keeping balance.
- Wing: Used for flying to different places for food, or to escape its enemies.

#### **Peer assessment sheet**

Student assessment marking sheet for the wētā						
Name of student: Date:						
Assessment done by:						
My partner clearly explained how each labelled part helps the wētā survive. (Tick Yes, No, or Partly).						
	Yes	No	Partly			
Antennae						
Armour-like body						
Large back legs						
Hook-like structures						
Mouth parts						
Notes:						

# **Answers for weta**

- Antennae: Used for feeling its way in the dark (it is nocturnal)
- Armour-like body: Used for protection against predators, or it helps prevent crushing.
- Large back legs: Used for jumping to escape predators. Some wētā will raise their back legs to frighten off predators.
- Hook-like structures: These are used for gripping or climbing.
- Mouth parts: Strong jaws for biting or crushing hard food. Sometimes some wētā will bite as a means of defence.

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