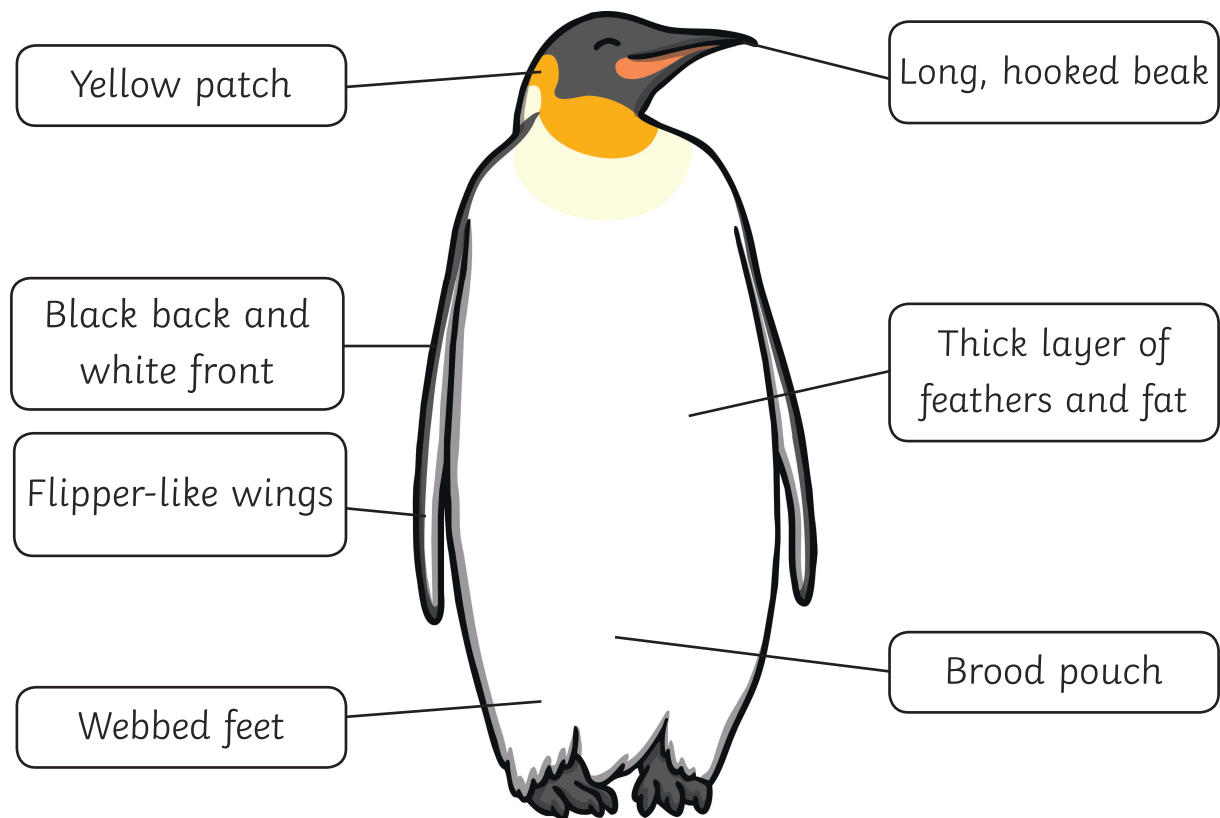# The Emperor Penguin

The emperor penguin is the largest penguin in the world. Penguins are birds but they cannot fly. They use their wings to help them swim.

Habitat

They live in Antarctica and it is very cold. Emperor penguins live together in a big group (a colony) so that they can keep warm.

Body

Yellow patch

Long, hooked beak

Black back and white front

Thick layer of feathers and fat

Flipper-like wings

Webbed feet

Brood pouch

Did you know...?

- The female lays an egg and passes it to the male. He keeps it warm all winter in his brood pouch.

- Adults can grow up to 130cm.

- They can swim underwater for up to 22 minutes.

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