

Seeing Africa with Aiden!

Cycle 46

Decodable Reader

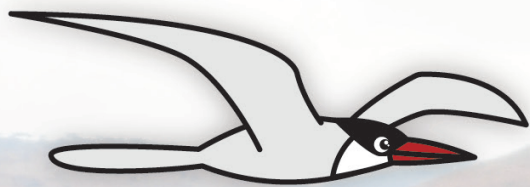




It's me, Aiden, again. We've been flying over the sea for a while. Time to make a stop in Africa.

We are going to find another migrating friend here in the heat of the African plains.

Arctic terns migrate the longest over sea. But wildebeests boast the biggest migration over land. It is even called the Great Wildebeest Migration.





Each year, nearly two million wildebeests migrate. They follow the rainy season. They flee lands that are too dry to feed them and move to greener lands.



Wildebeests don't eat meat.
They eat the sweet, stocky
grasses that are left after
other grazers have eaten the
longer grasses.



A human baby needs someone to carry it for at least a year. But a baby wildebeest can walk and leap quickly after being born.

Wildebeests do not have feet like you. They have hooves that seem like one big fingernail at the base of each leg.

That was a speedy visit, but
it's time to leave. Please go
back to the beach for the next
leg of the journey.



Fluency Practice

Words

sea	seem
heat	speed
each	teach
flee	beach
green	scream
eat	happy
meat	speedy
sweet	eaten
needs	windy
free	nearly
feet	been*
least	please*
leap	carry*
seen	

* High-Frequency Word

Phrases

been to the
please be sure to
to carry your
each of you
on her feet
at least it's
often seems to
at the beach
leap for joy
seem to be
he needs some

Sentences

Have you been to the beach?

Please be sure to clean up.

Ask her to carry your bag.

I have a gift for each of you.

Mom said she had been on
her feet all day!

At least it's not too cold here.

She often seems to be sleepy.

It's time to go to the beach!

That gift made me leap for
joy!

Those kids seem to be sad.

He needs some more tea.

Think and Talk about It!

1. After Europe, what continent is the next stop for the arctic terns?
2. What animal has the biggest migration on land?
3. How many wildebeests are a part of the Great Wildebeest Migration each year?

Write about It!

Would you rather be an animal that migrates over the sea or on land? Write about your choice and tell why.

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