



Happy Birthday Penguin! - Activities

Before you read

- 1 Look at any Penguin Reader. What is the name of the black and white bird on the cover? Where in the world do these birds live? What do they eat? Can they fly? Can they run? Can they swim?

After you read

- 2 Match the words on the left with the definitions on the right.

a] author	1] small enough to put in your pocket
b] publishing company	2] a trip from one place to another especially by car, train etc.
c] journey	3] serious and proud in a way that makes people respect you.
d] secretary	4] not serious and a little funny.
e] dignified	5] a company which produces books
f] flippant	6] someone whose job is to write letters, arrange meetings, answer the telephone etc.
g] designer	7] a person who writes books
h] pocket sized	8] an artist who makes pictures or decides on the shape and colours of clothes, cars etc.

- 3 Read these questions and answers. Write the correct question words from the box.

What	Who	Where
How much	How far	How old

- a) _____ is Penguin? Penguin is seventy years old.
- b) _____ went to visit Agatha Christie? A man called Allen Lane.
- c) _____ did Agatha Christie live? In Exeter in Devon.
- d) _____ is Exeter from London? 250 kilometres
- e) _____ did Allen Lane want to buy at the station? Something to read
- f) _____ were the first Penguin books? Sixpence each.

- 4 You want to choose an animal or bird to put on the covers of a series of [a] Romantic Stories or [b] Adventure Stories
Draw or find a picture of the animal and write 4 sentences saying why you chose it.

