



Third Grade Crane Educational Video Guide

Complete this side of the guide before you watch the video:

1. Have you ever seen a sandhill crane? Describe or draw a crane below. If you have never seen one, use your imagination.

2. There are sandhill cranes in the Yampa Valley. Where do you think you might find them?

3. What do you think cranes eat?

4. What animal enemies might cranes have? How might they protect themselves and their families?

5. Cranes are not visible during the winter. Why do you think this is so?

6. What other big birds do we have in the Yampa Valley?



After watching the video answer the questions below:

1. What new information did you learn about cranes from watching the video?
2. What surprised you about the sandhill crane?
3. Why is a wetland an important habitat for the crane?
4. What characteristics does a crane have to help it survive in its environment?
5. Describe how a crane dances.
6. How are cranes, herons and geese the same? How are they different?
7. What can you do to help protect the sandhill crane here in the Yampa Valley?