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DETAILS.

Kathryn Williams

Dear Parents,

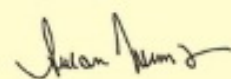
Children are naturally curious about the world around them, and curiosity is a powerful motivation for reading—and for success in school. Studies show that by understanding relationships among words, children quickly acquire new and interesting vocabulary. And the more they are able to talk about the world around them, the more they want to learn!

As you read with your child, be sure to point out the vocabulary tree. Discuss the categories of words and how they relate to one another. Then, explore the text together. Encourage your child to point out each of the vocabulary words as they appear in the text. You'll be surprised how fast your early reader identifies content-rich vocabulary.

To sustain children's excitement about reading, we have created a special program called **NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC KIDS SUPER READERS**. As kids read each National Geographic Kids Reader, they cross off its picture on a free National Geographic Kids Super Readers poster that parents can download from kids.nationalgeographic.com/superreaders. Throughout the process, kids and parents go to the website and download specially designated prizes that reward their effort. Kids can have even more reading fun online, with lively book-related activities, quizzes and games, fascinating excerpts, and sneak previews of upcoming books.

The National Geographic Kids Super Readers program appeals to kids' love of accomplishment while providing them with incentives to keep reading. When the reading experience is fun, children learn more and achieve more. What could be better than that?

Sincerely,



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Vocabulary Tree

ANIMALS

PENGUINS

WHERE THEY LIVE

on the ice
on the beach
in the forest

WHAT THEY DO

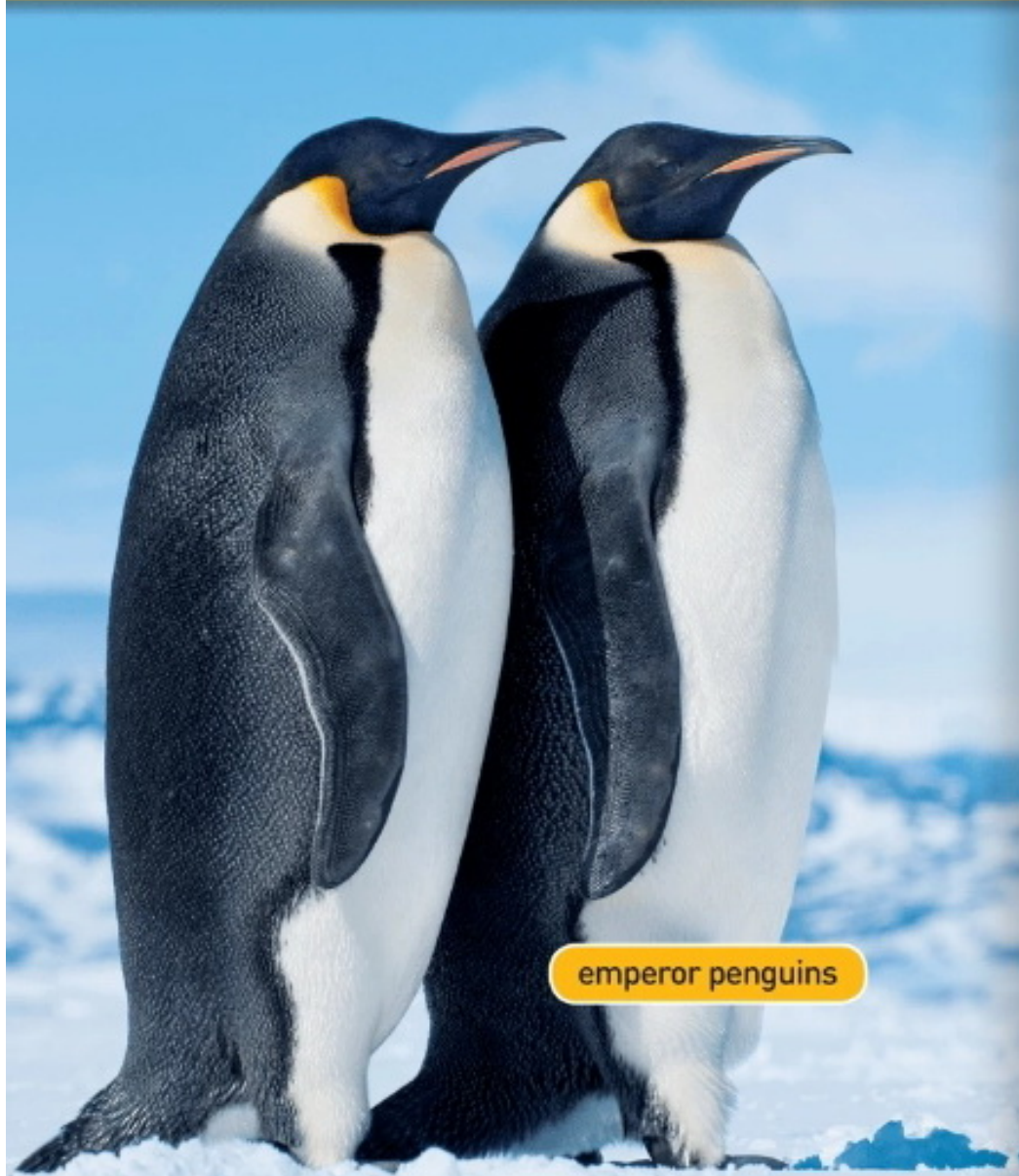
huddle
shuffle
slide
swim

WHAT THEY LOOK LIKE

big
small
fancy
plain



It's cold! These penguins
live on the ice.



emperor penguins

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They huddle to keep warm.

5

There are many kinds of penguins.
This kind lives on the beach.



Magellanic penguins

6



They make nests in the
dirt and sand.

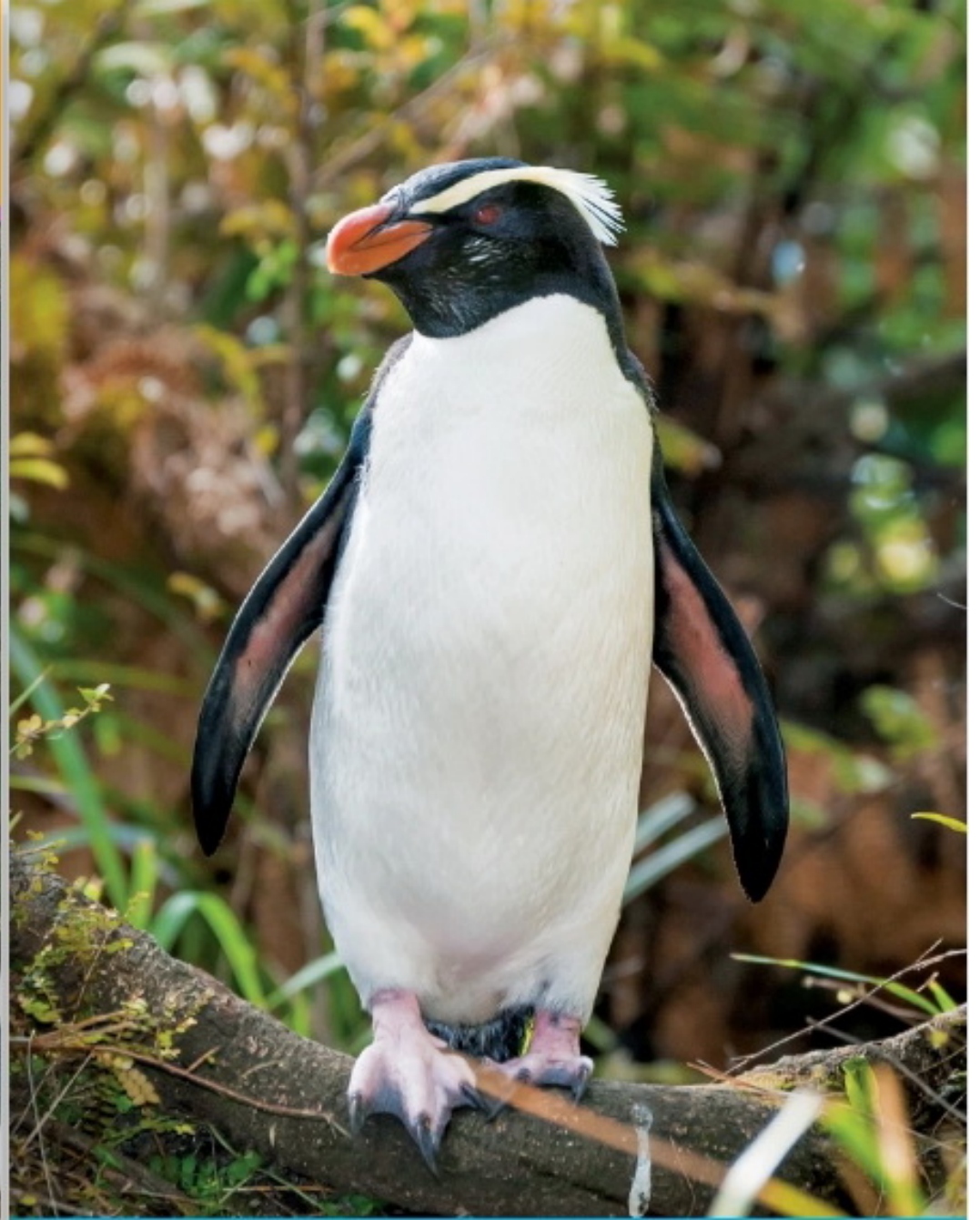
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These penguins live
in the forest!



Snares penguins

8



They waddle over tree roots.

9

Some kinds of penguins are big,



emperor penguin

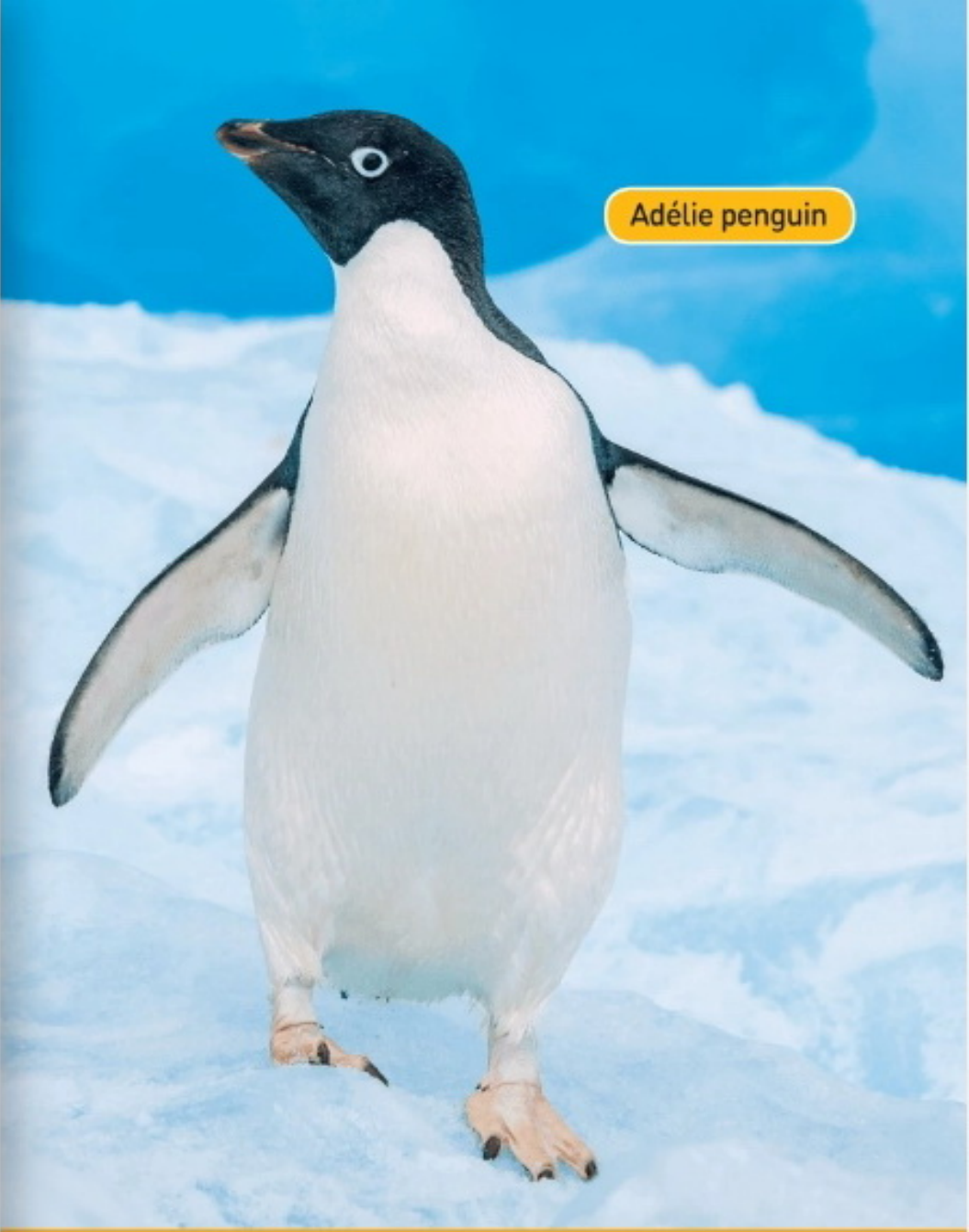
and some are small.



fairy penguin



rockhopper penguin



Adélie penguin

Some are fancy,

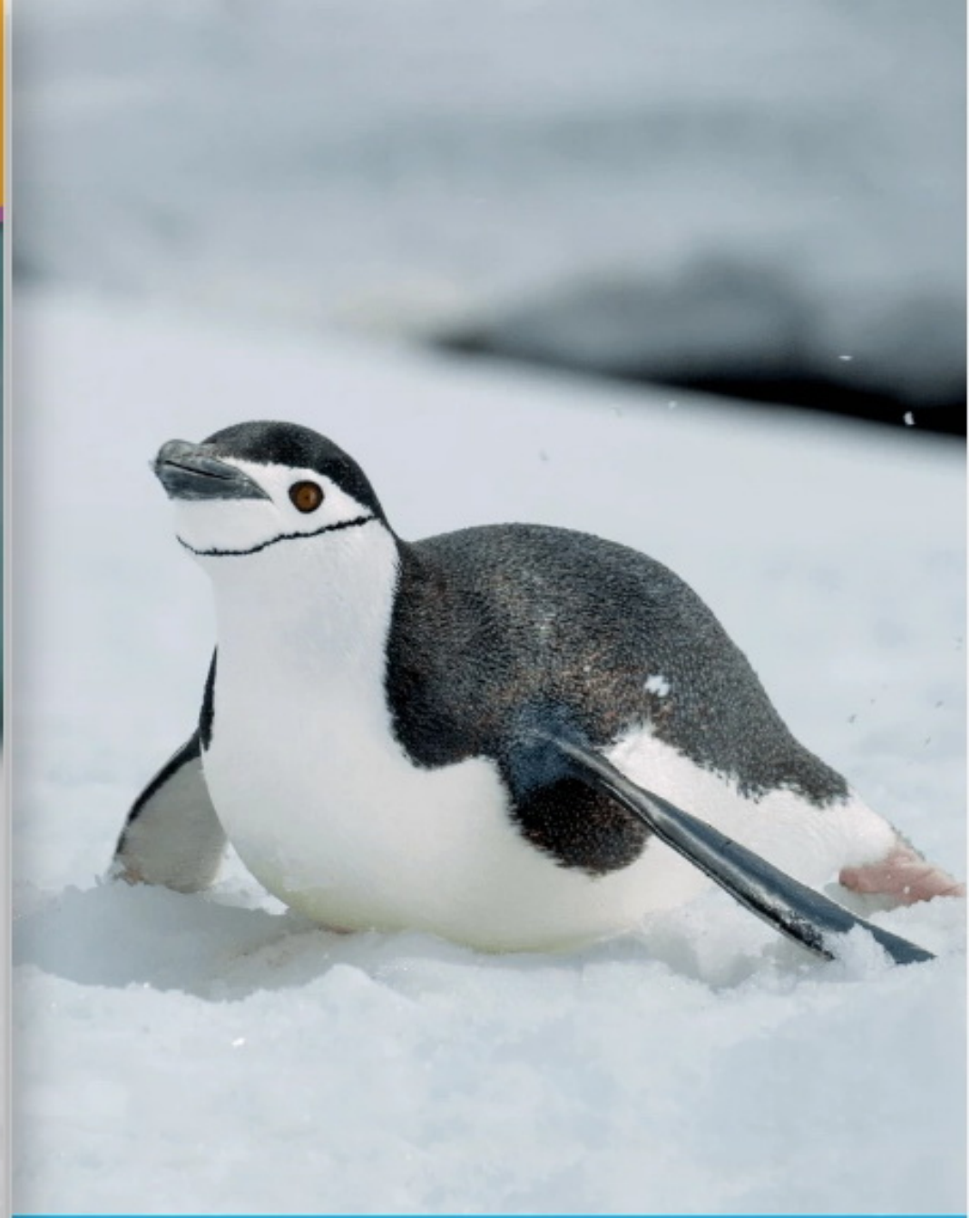


and some are plain.

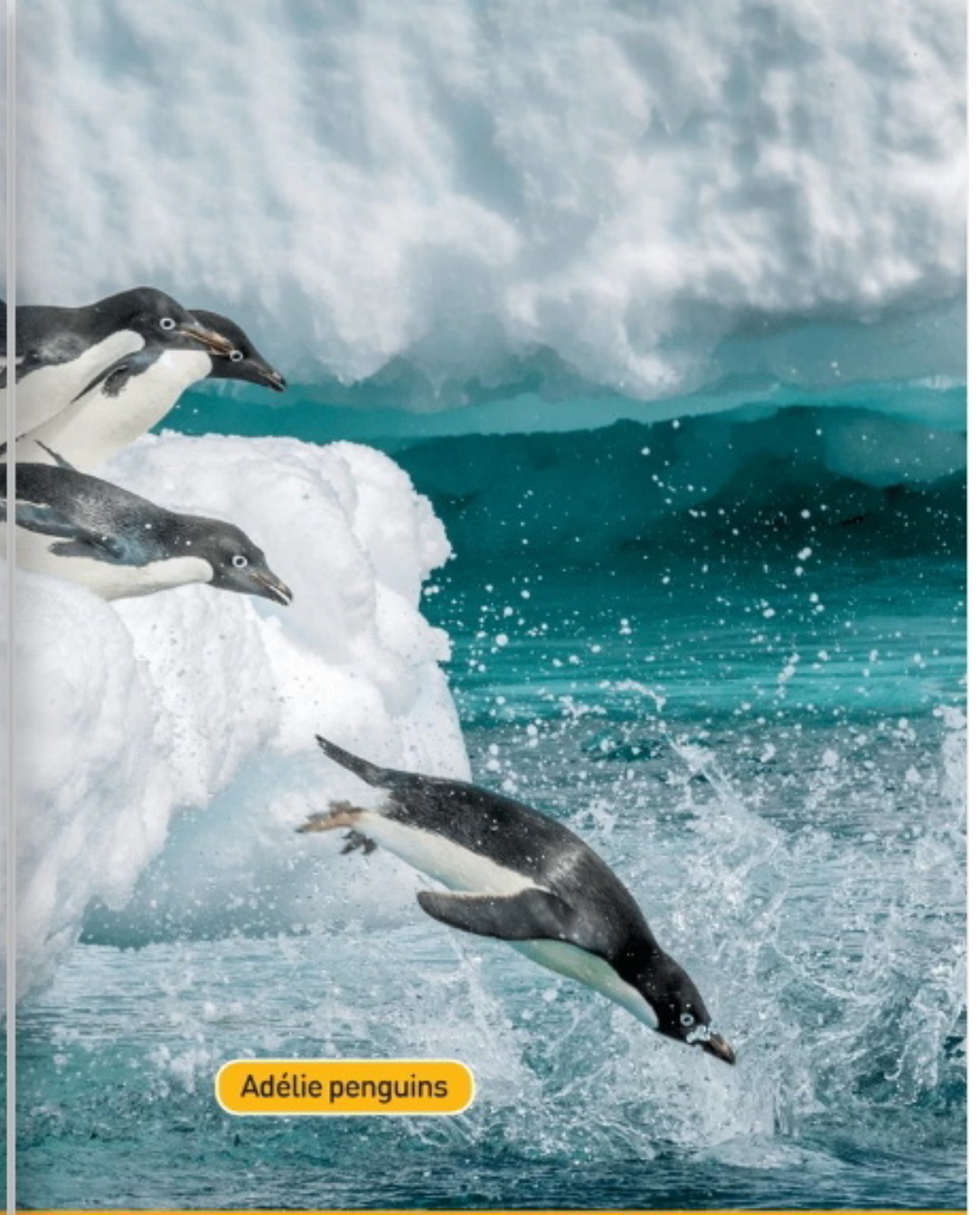
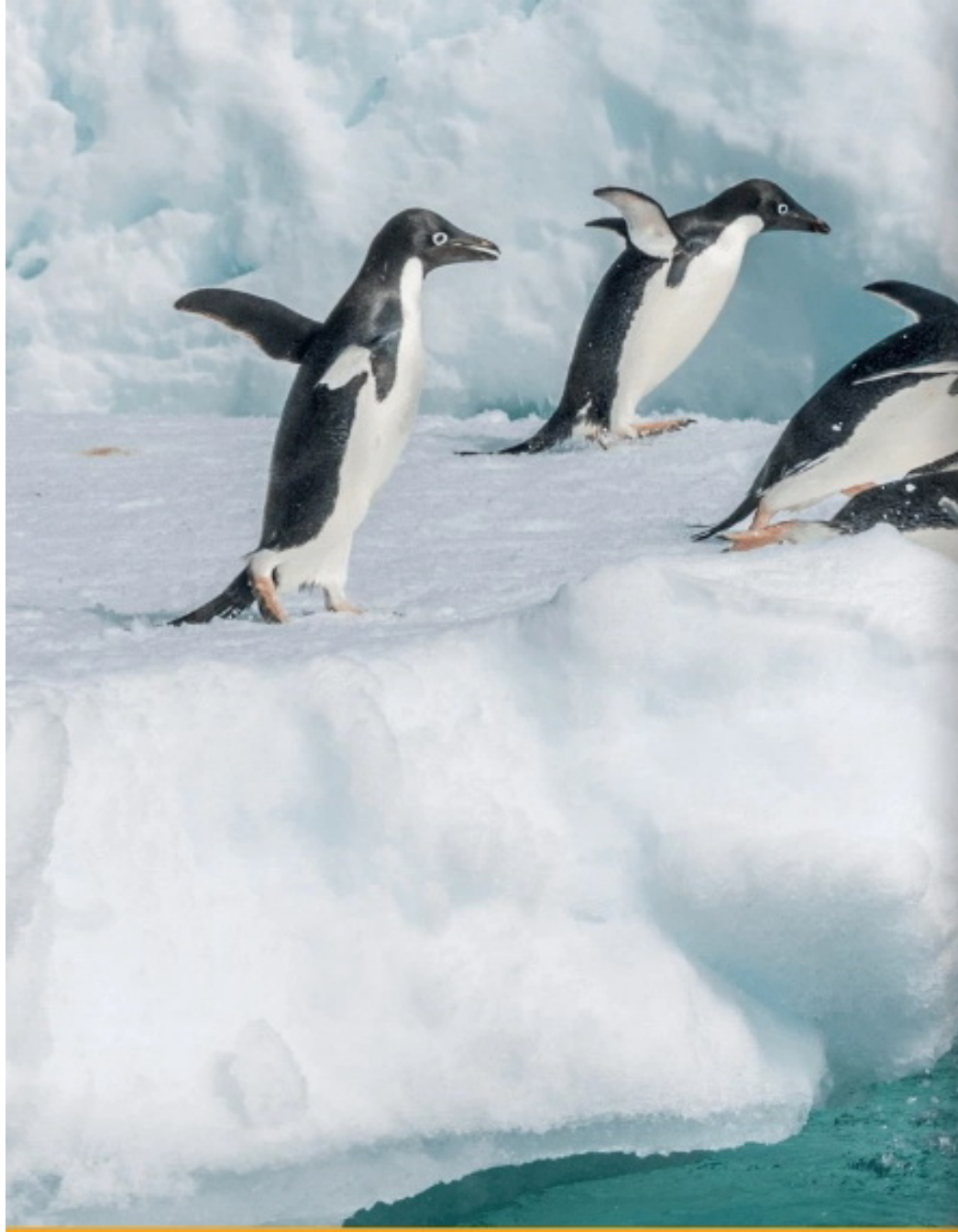


Penguins can't fly.
But they can shuffle.

chinstrap penguins




And they can slide!




Adélie penguins





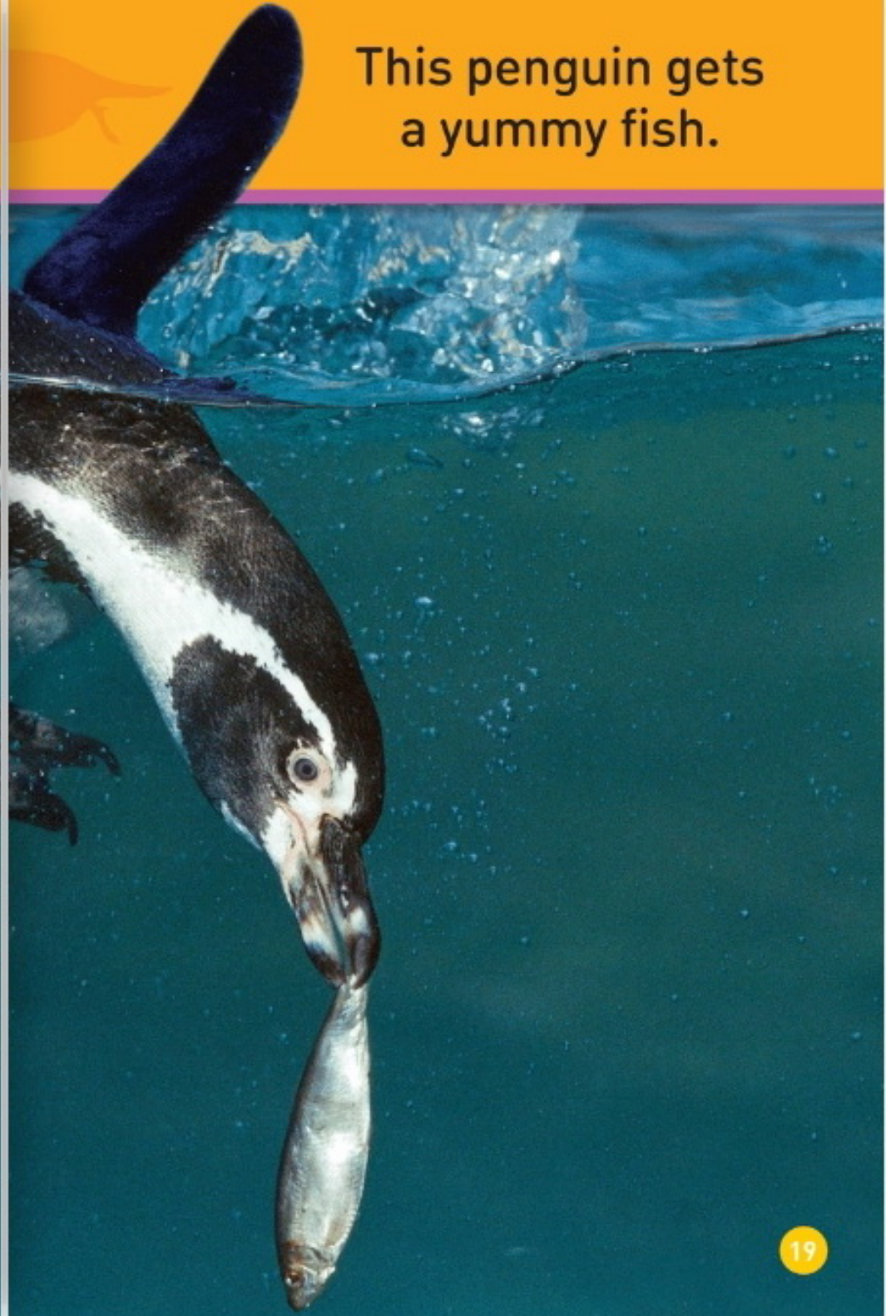
It's time to go fishing!



This penguin gets a yummy fish.



Humboldt penguin



After a swim, it's time to go
back on land.

gentoo penguins



Hello, penguin!

KINDS OF PENGUINS

There are many kinds of penguins.
These are the kinds in this book.



EMPEROR
PENGUIN



MAGELLANIC
PENGUIN



SNARES PENGUIN



FAIRY PENGUIN



ROCKHOPPER
PENGUIN



ADÉLIE
PENGUIN



CHINSTRAP
PENGUIN



HUMBOLDT
PENGUIN



GENTOO
PENGUIN

YOUR TURN!

Draw a penguin. Now tell a story
about your penguin. Where does
it live? What does it do?



For my mom — K.M.W.



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