



# Inherited Traits and Learned Behaviors

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade: Grade 3

## Part A: Multiple Choice

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- A) Feathers are inherited; strong flying improves with practice.
- B) Feathers are learned; flying is inherited fully at birth.
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## Part B: Fill in the Blank

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3. A feature you were born with is \_\_\_\_\_, while one you practiced is learned.
4. Young animals often \_\_\_\_\_ behaviors by watching their parents or trainers.
5. Both inherited traits and learned behaviors together describe an \_\_\_\_\_.

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