



Fact and Opinion

Name: _____

Date: _____

Grade: Grade 5

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Penguin chicks need	→ _____	Predators take 30 percent

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