

Writing Task Sample

Unit 15 Bird brain (p.123)

What is it like to be a bird?

If you could turn into a bird, what bird would you choose to be? Write a blog entry of about 180 words about your preference and the reasons.

If I could choose to be a bird, I would be **migratory** such as the Canadian snow goose. It's a no-brainer, really, as I already **have a lot in common with** it. **I am not a fan of** winter, and just like these flocks of **spectacular** birds, I'd **soar through the skies** for thousands of miles to arrive somewhere warm and **hospitable**.

As a snow goose, I would fly up high and feel totally free. Apart from human hunters, I'd have no predators while away from the ground. Up there in the sky, I would be totally **unbound, liberated**.

Following my **instincts**, I would only **touch down** when the other geese do so too to rest and to feed. On my way down, I would **engage in** precision flying. Naturally, I am **a bit of a show-off** and like the attention of nature photographers pointing their lenses at me.

All the while, I would aim for the Gulf of Mexico, for warm, southerly breezes. Perhaps, on arrival, I would grab a tiny goose-sized surfboard and try to catch a wave!

Overall, I would love being a bird, because after all, flying is a superpower.

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