

True or False

Part A

1. Read your Magpie Fact Sheet.
2. With your talk partner, cut out the cards at the bottom of the page. Decide whether each statement is true or false. Sort the cards into 2 piles.
3. When you and your partner are sure you have sorted the cards correctly, write the numbers of the cards in the correct box below. The first one has been done for you.

| True | False |
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| 1 | |

4. Can you use the information to help you draw and label your own picture of a magpie?



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| 1. Magpies are part of the crow family. | 2. They sing in a sweet and tuneful way. |
| 3. They have an orange stripe on their tail. | 4. Magpies live for ten years. |
| 5. Magpies do not eat meat. | 6. Magpies have orange beaks. |
| 7. Magpies make a noisy chattering sound. | 8. Magpies usually build their nests in trees. |
| 9. Magpies eat only plants in the summer. | 10. Magpies eat caterpillars in the summer. |
| 11. The science name for this type of magpie is <i>Pica pica</i> . | 12. Magpies have very short tails. |

True or False

Part B

1. Read your Magpie Fact Sheet.
2. With your talk partner, cut out the cards at the bottom of the page. Decide whether each statement is true or false. Sort the cards into 2 piles.
3. When you and your partner are sure you have sorted the cards correctly, write the numbers of the cards in the correct box below. The first one has been done for you.

| True | False 1 |
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| 1. Magpies are herbivores | 2. Magpies can only be found in North America. |
| 3. Magpies only eat spiders. | 4. Magpies help humans by protecting plants. |
| 5. Magpies hide spare food in the ground. | 6. Magpie eggs are blue-green with brown spots. |
| 7. Magpies usually lay their eggs in the autumn. | 8. The eggs take a week to hatch. |
| 9. The female bird sits on top of the eggs to keep them warm. | 10. Everyone loves magpies. |
| 11. Magpie feathers have a blue shine. | 12. Magpies steal food and eggs from other animals. |

★ ★
★ Challenge Task ★

Can you write a list of questions about magpies, which you would still like to know the answers to?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

6. _____

Answers

Part A

| True | False |
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| 1, 7, 8, 10, 11 | 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 12 |

Part B

| True | False |
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| 5, 6, 9, 11, 12 | 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, 10 |