

# Man or Bird?

- 1 According to the text, what can humans do well but not excel at?  
Tick **more than one**.

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|--------------------------|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | running  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | jumping  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | flying   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | thinking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | swimming |

- 2 In the second paragraph, which starts '*The reason for our success...*', what does the word **flourished** indicate?  
Tick **one**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | suffered           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | flaunted ourselves |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | flowered           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | thrived            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | lived              |

- 3 Why does the text mention helium balloons?  
Tick **one**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | To suggest that flying is as exciting as a party or celebration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To give an example of a gas that is lighter than air            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To explain the principle of hot air balloons                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To compare the riskiness of flight to dangerous gases           |

- 4 According to the text, which of these statements are true?  
Tick **more than one**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | The development of the aeroplane followed the invention of the glider. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The first glider flight was achieved by two American brothers.         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The development of the glider followed the invention of the aeroplane. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | The first glider flight came at the end of the 19th century.           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Studying bird-flight helped in the development of the glider.          |

- 5 Which of the following are **not** given as an example of an advanced, modern flying machine?  
Tick **more than one**.

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Sea plane      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Military plane |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Airship        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Helicopter     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Spacecraft     |

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6 *'These modern methods of flight are all due to the rapid technological developments of the last 100 years; yet it seems that humans have not lost the desire to fly more simply.'*

What does this statement mean?

Tick **one**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | Because of our high-tech modern world, humans would like to fly like birds.                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Despite our high-tech modern world, humans would still like to fly like birds.              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | Technological advances and a desire for simplicity go hand in hand.                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | New technology is expensive, so people desire a form of travel that is simpler and cheaper. |

7 What does the text suggest is the main reason for the use of wingsuits?

Tick **one**.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | To experience a sensation close to bird-flight      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To video-record flights more easily than in a plane |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To study birds more closely in the air              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | To fly faster than ever before                      |

8 The statements below summarise contents of the text's paragraphs.

**Number them** to show the order they appear in the text.

*The first is done for you.*

	The first flying machine
	The human ability to invent
1	Why humans cannot fly
	Wingsuit flying
	Mimicking the experience of bird-flight
	Modern aeroplanes
	The first human attempts at flight