Read and Draw: The Bald Eagle

Read the facts about our national bird. Draw a bald eagle, then answer the questions.



Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Facts

- The bald eagle became the national bird of the United States in 1782, when it was put on the Great Seal.
- It is not really bald! Its head is covered in white feathers. Long ago, "bald" could mean white.
- Its wings can stretch more than 7 feet from tip to tip.
- Bald eagles live only in North America, near rivers, lakes and the coast. They eat mostly fish.
- A bald eagle's nest is the biggest nest of any bird in North America. Some are wider than a grown-up is tall.

Draw a bald eagle (white head, brown body, yellow beak and feet)

1. **When did the bald eagle become the national bird?**

2. **Is a bald eagle really bald?**

3. **What do bald eagles mostly eat?**

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