What are we?



We are a kind of bird.

Many species of us exist in many parts of the world.

Our species have names such as "Great Horned," "Snowy," "Great Gray," "Barred," and "Monkey-faced."

What are we?



How would you like to dine regularly on skunks? One of our species, "Great Horned," does just that. "Great Horned" also kills and eats other species of us! Most of us eat rodents, such as mice. Some of us eat rabbits, squirrels, woodchucks, frogs, insects, other birds, or snakes.



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We can live in a variety of places. Some of us make our homes in holes in trees, cliffs, or buildings. Some of us live in old hawk or crow nests. A few of us make nests on the ground in the sand.

We can see and hear very well. That makes us good hunters. Most of us are nocturnal, which means we hunt at night. A few of us hunt during the day. Our fluffy feathers keep us warm even

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in cold climates.



How big are we?

Our size can vary. We can be from five inches to twenty-eight inches long (13 centimeters – 70 centimeters). Our wingspan (the distance from a wing tip to the opposite wing tip) can be from one foot to more than six feet (0.3 meters – 2 meters).

What are we?



What do we look like?

We have flat faces, small beaks, large, forward-facing eyes, short necks, and short tails.



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We are owls.



