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The Groove-billed Barbet



I have a large, thick beak.

- I have toothlike ridges in my lower beak.
- I feed on fruit and insects.

The King Vulture



I eat dead or dying animals. My head has no feathers. My beak is hooked for tearing meat.

The Crossbill



My beak is crossed like an 'X'. My crossed beak helps me get seeds from pine cones.

The Flamingo



I put my head underwater to find my dinner. Underwater, my head is upside-down. The curve in my beak helps me scoop up food from the mud.

The Crowned Hornbill



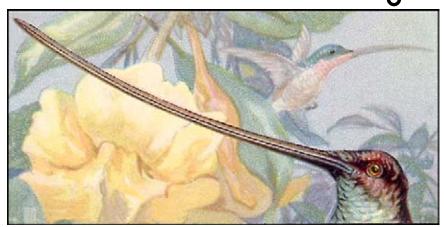
I live in the rain forest. I have a horn on the top of my beak. I use my heavy beak to break open nuts with hard shells.

The Huia



We lived in New Zealand until we became extinct. "I am the male. My beak is thick and strong." "I am the female. My beak is thin and curved."

The Sword-billed Hummingbird



I am a very small bird with a very long beak. I use my long beak to get nectar from tube-shaped flowers.

The Blue and Gold Macaw



I am a colorful parrot. I have a short, hooked beak that is very strong. I can crack open very hard nuts with my beak.

The Brown Pelican



I have a pouch of skin under my beak. I can carry many fish in my pouch. I hunt for fish in lakes, rivers, and on the coast.

The Razorbill



I like to eat fish. I can carry six small fish in my beak. My beak has very sharp edges, that's why I am called "Razorbill."

The White-tailed Sea Eagle



I like to eat fish. Sometimes I eat ducks and geese. I use my sharp, hooked beak to tear my meat.

The Shoebill Stork



My beak is shaped like a shoe. I like to eat fish, and I use the hook at the end of my beak to cut up my food.

The Spoonbill



I wade in water and use my long beak to look for food in the mud. I like to eat frogs, shellfish, seaweed and small fish.

The Toucan



My huge and colorful beak is very light. I eat fruit, seeds, insects, and eggs. My big beak helps me reach fruit while I sit in the jungle trees.

The Dodo



I lived on the island of Mauritius. I could not fly away from the people and animals that came there, and soon after being discovered, I was extinct.

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Strange Beaks

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