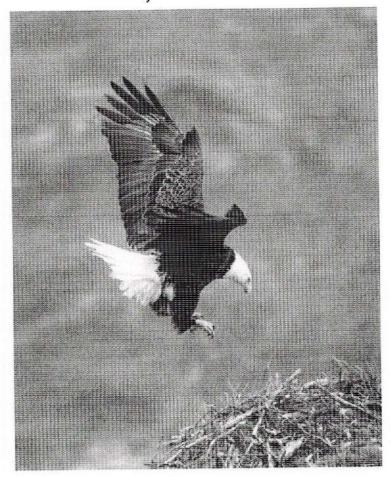
## The American Bird

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The bald eagle is a symbol of the United States. A symbol is something that stands for something else. The bald eagle stands for the country's strength. Here are some things we know about bald eagles.

Bald eagles have wonderful sight. This helps them find food. They have strong claws to eat a fish or snake.

Bald eagles are fast! Their powerful, wide wings help them fly

very quickly.

Bald eagles build huge nests from sticks and grass. They build nests high in trees.

Baby eaglets hatch from eggs. Both parents bring the babies food. Soon the eaglets can fly and leave the nest.

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- 1. Where do bald eagles build nests?
  - A. underground
  - B. in caves
  - C. high in trees
- 2. The text describes several characteristics of bald eagles. What does a bald eagle have that helps it fly very quickly?
  - A. wonderful sight
  - B. strong, sharp claws
  - C. powerful, wide wings
- 3. Mother and father bald eagles both take care of their baby eaglets. What part of the text tells us that this is true?
  - A. Soon the eaglets can fly and leave the nest.
  - B. Bald eagles build huge nests from sticks and grass.
  - C. Both parents bring the babies food.
- 4. What is "The American Bird" mostly about?
  - A. eaglets
  - B. American symbols
  - C. bald eagles

5.	What d	o bald	eagles	have	that	helps	them	find	food?
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Bald eagles have
6. What did you learn from "The American Bird"?

7. Class Discus	sion Question: Use information from	
the text to explai	n why the bald eagle stands for the	
United States' st	rength.	

8. Draw a picture of a bald eagle with food in its claws.

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## Snow Day 3