

Soaking in ...

SHAGS / CORMORANTS

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Seas and Oceans According to Kormorant

IN NEW ZEALAND SHAGS ARE SOMETIMES CALLED CORMORANTS AND CORMORANTS ARE SOMETIMES CALLED SHAGS - EITHER NAME IS FINE !

WHATEVER YOU CALL THEM, THEY ARE VERY WELL ADAPTED TO LIFE ABOVE, ON AND BELOW THE SURFACE OF THE WATER



CORMORANTS FEED BY CATCHING FISH UNDER-WATER. THIS INVOLVES DIVING FOR AROUND 25-30 SECONDS, THEN SURFACING FOR A FIVE SECOND 'RECOVERY', BEFORE DIVING AGAIN !



TRY THIS

SOUNDS EASY !

5 SECONDS ON THE SURFACE

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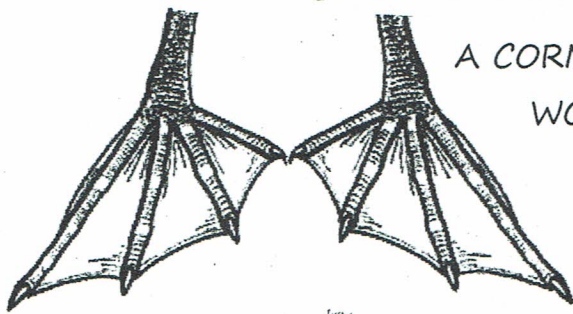
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YOUR TURN !

TRY SIMULATING THIS 25 SECOND BREATH-HOLDING WITH A 5 SECOND RECOVERY, YOURSELF. BEGIN BY SITTING STILL, THEN TRY AGAIN WHILE WALKING BRISKLY DURING THE 'DIVE' SEGMENT, TO SIMULATE THE EFFORT OF SWIMMING ! HOW MANY REPEATS CAN YOU MANAGE?

### WHO'S GOT FUNNY LOOKING FEET ?



A CORMORANTS FEET LOOK WEIRD ! A DUCK WOULD ONLY HAVE THREE 'TOES'! SHAGS HOWEVER, ARE VERY EFFICIENT UNDERWATER SWIMMERS, WHILE ONLY USING THEIR FEET TO SWIM!



COULD YOU MAKE YOUR OWN PAIR OF SUPER EFFICIENT "SHAG SHWIMMERS", AND TRY THEM OUT IN A POOL? WHAT A GREAT SCIENCE FAIR PROJECT!