



# UNTAMED Watch-along Worksheet

## Episode 10: Vultures

*While you watch, listen carefully and use what you learn to fill in the blanks. Answers appear during the video in the same order as these questions, so be sure to read ahead!*

1. There are 30 species of vultures found world-wide, and \_\_\_\_\_ of those are found in the New World.
2. With a wingspan of about 4.5 ft., the Black Vulture is the \_\_\_\_\_ of North American vultures.
3. "Buzzard" and "vulture" are different names for the same animal.

True -or- False

4. Vultures are often hit by cars when they're looking for or eating \_\_\_\_\_, one of the most-common sources of carrion.
5. As scavengers, vultures are often attracted to animal remains left in the field by hunters; even small fragments of \_\_\_\_\_ ammunition are toxic if accidentally consumed.
6. Compared to other birds, baby vultures have a high risk of \_\_\_\_\_ on their caretakers in captivity, mistaking humans for their own species.
7. Despite common belief based on their diet, vultures are very \_\_\_\_\_ animals.
  - A) Endangered
  - B) Clean
  - C) Unintelligent
  - D) Aggressive
8. One of the education ambassadors at the Wildlife Center that helps teach the world about his species is a Black Vulture named \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Black Vultures perform a courtship dance that includes stretching out their wings, dipping their head down, and walking in a \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Write one thing you can do to help vultures in the wild:

## Answer Key

1. There are 30 species of vultures found world-wide, and 7 of those are found in the New World.

2. With a wingspan of about 4.5 ft., the Black Vulture is the smallest of North American vultures.

3. “Buzzard” and “vulture” are different names for the same animal.

True -or- **False**

4. Vultures are often hit by cars when they’re looking for or eating roadkill, one of the most-common sources of carrion.

5. As scavengers, vultures are often attracted to animal remains left in the field by hunters; even small fragments of lead ammunition are toxic if accidentally consumed.

6. Compared to other birds, baby vultures have a high risk of imprinting on their caretakers in captivity, mistaking humans for their own species.

7. Despite common belief based on their diet, vultures are very \_\_\_\_\_ animals.

A) Endangered

**B) Clean**

C) Unintelligent

D) Aggressive

8. One of the education ambassadors at the Wildlife Center that helps teach the world about his species is a Black Vulture named Buttercup.

9. Black Vultures perform a courtship dance that includes stretching out their wings, dipping their head down, and walking in a circle.

10. Write one thing you can do to help vultures in the wild: Any variation of learning more about vultures, looking out for them while driving, contacting local road crews to remove road kill, and using non-lead ammunition for hunting.