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This is a slideshow about BEING A LEADER.

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**Leadership.
The Eagle or the Goose?**

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Some people think that eagles make GOOD LEADERS.

NOTE: Ask people to raise their hands if they think so, but DON'T ask them why!!

Tell the class that we will show them a few reasons why people are impressed by eagles and move on to next slide...

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Eagles Soar through the sky.

(NOTE: Ask people in the class these questions/interact with them)

How many people have seen a Eagle flying?
(answer by raising hands)

How does it make you feel when you see that?
What does it make you think of?

(ask both questions at same time and get answers from class)

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Eagles are strong and brave.

Here are some things that eagles can do:

Eagles can soar thru the sky and then swoop down to catch their food. Their diving speed is estimated at 75 to 100 miles per hour. That's faster than the speed limit!

Eagles can fly very high in the sky. They can go up to altitudes of 10,000 feet or more. (It's a good thing they're not afraid of heights!)

Eagles can stay up in the air without rest and soar for hours. They do that by riding on the wind. (we do it by asking the stewardess for a pillow!)

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Eagles remind us of Freedom.

America used to be part of England. We fought a war (called “The American Revolution”) to become our own country.

At one of the first battles of the Revolution, early in the morning, the noise of the battle awoke the eagles. The eagles flew from their nests and circling and crying out over the heads of the men that were fighting. One of the patriots heard them and said, "They are shrieking for Freedom“!

The bald eagle became a symbol for FREEDOM.

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This is a picture of the official National Seal (the “STAMP” that says “AMERICA”)

In 1782, the Bald Eagle was chosen as the American National Bird.

It also became the central figure in the National Seal.

The person who designed the national seal used a golden eagle the first time he drew it, but he changed it to the Bald Eagle because golden eagle lives in both Europe and America, but the bald eagle only lives here (in America).

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Bravery, Strength and Freedom are Important!

But ...

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Eagles don't remind us of teamwork.

Being part of a team is important if you want to be a leader, so eagles don't make us thinking about leadership, either.

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Whenever we see an eagle, it's usually alone.

- Eagles are not team players.
- Eagles mate for life, but they are NOT "flock birds".
- Eagles don't hang out with lots of other eagles. They don't support other eagles, either!

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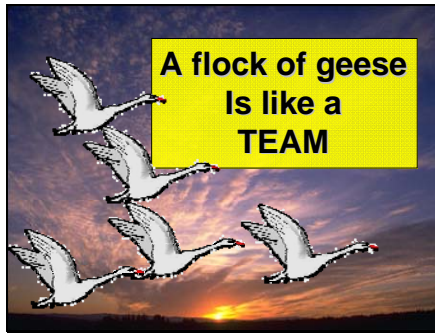


We think GEESE make better leaders.

(HONK!!)

Here are some reasons why (in the next few slides)

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A flock of geese is like a team.

QUESTION: A group of geese are NOT really called a "flock". Does anyone know what a group of geese are really called?

ANSWER: a group of geese is called a "gaggle"

The next few slides will tell you WHY geese work like a TEAM.

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Geese Stick Together!

Some Facts:

- You will hardly EVER see a goose by itself. If you do, it probably got separated from its flock or it lost its mate
- If a goose is hurt and needs to land,, 2 other geese will land with it until it gets better, or dies.
- Geese also mate for life. If a geese's mate dies, he or she will stay with the dead body and mourn (be very VERY sad). A goose can grieve to death when they lose their mate.

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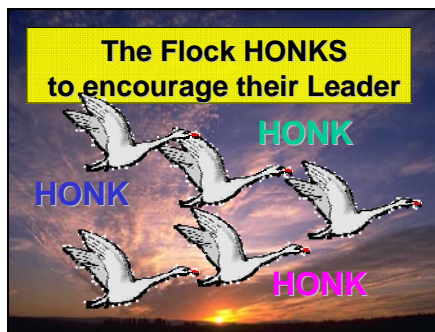


One goose leads and the flock follows.

There is always a leader or “head goose”, but it’s NOT always the same goose in front!

(Hang on and you’ll see why!)

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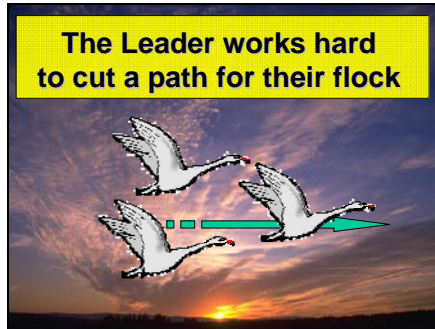
The flock HONKS to encourage their Leader.

QUESTION: Can someone explain what “encouragement” means?

ANSWER: Encouragement means support. It means letting someone know that you believe in them!

QUESTION: How can team members encourage their leader? (ask for a ideas/answers)

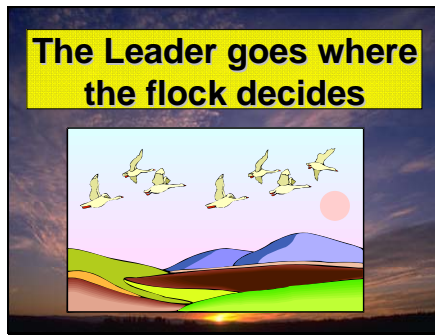
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The Leader works hard to cut a path for their flock!

- The lead position in the flock is the hardest place to be. It takes a lot of work to cut a path for the flock.
- A good leader works hard FOR HIS TEAM (not just for himself).

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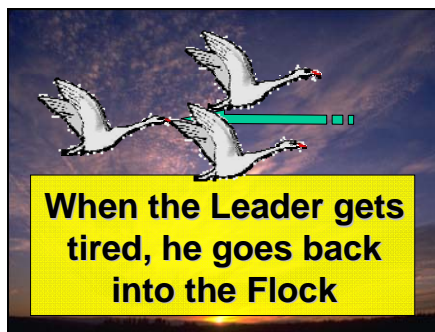


The Leader goes where the flock decides.

Being a leader is NOT the same thing as being “the boss”.

A good leader does what his TEAM wants to do (and a good leader is also a part of that team!!) ...

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When the lead goose gets tired, he goes back into the flock.

FYI: It's easier to fly IN the flock, at the end of the line, because the other geese will pull you along with the wind drafts.

The last position in the flock is one of the BEST places to be. It helps you re-gain your strength.

Good leaders know when it's time to take a break and let someone else lead. They don't “rule for life”.

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...and a new leader takes his place!

When the lead goose retires, a new goose flies to the front of the line to lead their flock.

A good leader will teach members of his team how to lead when he/she steps down.

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What kind of Leader are you?

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Are you an Eagle?

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Or are you a goose?

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**** REMEMBER, geese can be brave, too!**

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The end!