

Bird and Beast

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The camel's a *mammal*.

The penguin's a *bird*.

One lives in a colony.

The other, a herd.

One creature has hooves,

the other, webbed feet.

One likes cold weather.

One prefers heat.

Who plods through the sand
and chews thorny greens?

Who swims in the sea
and dines on sardines?

One lays an egg.

The other does not.

What do they have common?

Not a whole lot!

