



Listening Activity: *Terrestrials* Podcast
“The Red-Eyed Mascot: Loon Resilience in Minnesota”

LOON FACTS: Loons are the state bird of Minnesota. The Ojibwe word for loon is “Maang.”
Loons are associated with constellations that include the Little Dipper & the North Star.

BEFORE LISTENING

Activate Your Prior Knowledge! Write or Draw : What do you know about loons?

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DURING LISTENING

In Minnesota, what does the loon symbolize?

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What do you do to feel safe when you are in an uncomfortable situation?

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What color eyes do loons have?
Do you remember why?

What color would you want your eyes to be?
What would that color mean for you?

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Loons TRUE or FALSE?	
In the winter, Loon's eyes are brown.	
Loons have only one call.	
Loons have super strong powerful legs.	
Loons eat snails.	
Loons migrate to California.	

What do you and loons have in common?		
	Loons	You
Breath Underwater?	Yes / No	Yes / No
Color changing eyes?	Yes / No	Yes / No
Super cool?	Yes / No	Yes / No
Have different voices to call out?	Yes / No	Yes / No

AFTER LISTENING

<i>TURN & TALK...</i>
Compare your thoughts with your neighbor : What surprised you about loons?
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2.
3.

Think of the North Star ... It Always Leads You Home	
Where are the loons headed when they fly?	If you were a bird, where would you fly?

