

Sky Hunters Environmental Education



Owl Biology The Silent Hunters

In China the owl is associated with lightning (because it brightens the night) and with drums (because its calls break the silence). Years ago in southern India it was believed that if you ate the eye of an owl, you could see in the dark. With over 160 species of owl on every continent except Antarctica, owls have spawned legends in every culture. Their nocturnal niche in our ecosystems is unique and ancient. What makes owls unique? How do they fly? What do they eat? How do they hunt? Can they hunt in complete darkness? Where do they nest and sleep? What is the oldest fossil record of an owl? Sky Hunters discusses these amazing creatures of the night and concludes with mythical owl stories.

Audience: All ages

California Science Content Standards for grades K-3

<http://www.cde.ca.gov/be/st/ss/scmain.asp>

This popular presentation is fascinating to all ages. Sky Hunters brings two of the 18 species of California owls to our presentation. The individual and natural history of each owl is discussed and compared. We offer owl stories that are age-appropriate.

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