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1. Homing Pigeons.

Clue: The domestic pigeon (*Columba livia domestica*) is capable of finding its home over long distances and can be trained to carry messages using that ability.

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2. Golden Eagle.

Clue: Golden eagles (*Aquila chrysaetos*) have been used in falconry around the world for centuries. They use their sharp talons and powerful feet to capture their prey.

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3. Beaver.

Clue: The North American beaver (*Castor canadensis*) is a large aquatic rodent that was once hunted for its pelt. During the nineteenth century, fur trappers in North America nearly hunted the beaver to extinction because its fur was so popular in Europe.

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4. Eurasian Sparrow Hawk.

Clue: The Eurasian sparrowhawk (*Accipiter nisus*) is a small bird of prey native to various regions throughout Europe and Asia. They were used to eradicate invasive sparrows in the Crystal Palace.

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5. Inuit Dog Sled.

Clue: Used by Inuit peoples, dog sleds are a fast, reliable means of transportation on snow and ice. Sled dogs are various breeds and were chosen for size, stamina, and strength.

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6. Crocodile.

Clue: Crocodiles are large, semi-aquatic reptiles native to tropical climates in Africa, Asia, Australia, and the Americas. There are 16 species of crocodile that have been recognized.

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7. Rooster.

Clue: Roosters are adult male chickens, a type of domesticated fowl. Chickens are among the most common domesticated animals worldwide.

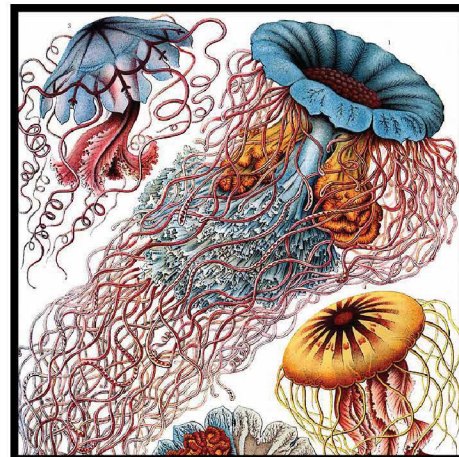
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8. Passenger Pigeon.

Clue: Once seen in flocks of millions in North America, the passenger pigeon (*Ectopistes migratorius*) became extinct due to hunting and habitat loss. The last passenger pigeon died in 1914.

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9. Medusas.

Clue: Medusas are free-swimming gelatinous marine animals, commonly called jellyfish, with umbrella-shaped bells with tentacles that form in the reproductive stage of their life span.

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10. Dancing Bear.

Clue: Dancing bears, or tame bears, are bears that are captured or bred and trained for entertainment purposes. They were common in Europe and Asia from the Middle Ages to the 19th century and can still be found in certain countries today.

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11. Woolly Mammoth.

Clue: The woolly mammoth (*Mammuthus primigenius*) is an extinct animal that lived during the Pleistocene era. It was an important source of food, wool, and ivory for early humans.

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12. Great White Pelican.

Clue: The Great White Pelican (*Pelecanus onocrotalus*) is native to Europe, Asia, and Africa. They are one of the largest pelican species.

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