

The Intelligence of Crows

TED Lectures Note-taking Activity

Directions: First listen to the lecture and take notes. Then using your notes, you will answer the following questions.

1. Synanthropic species are species such as rats, crows or cockroaches. Explain the idea of a synanthropic species as presented in the lecture.
2. Why did Joshua Klein build a vending machine?
3. Is the crow population increasing or decreasing?
4. What did the crow named Betty do that reflected crows' intelligence?
5. Why are the crows' reactions to the researchers who measured and released them at the University of Washington remarkable?
6. How do the researchers avoid being harassed by the crows now?
7. Were other animals able to operate the vending machine?
8. What does Joshua Klein hope crows can do in the future?

