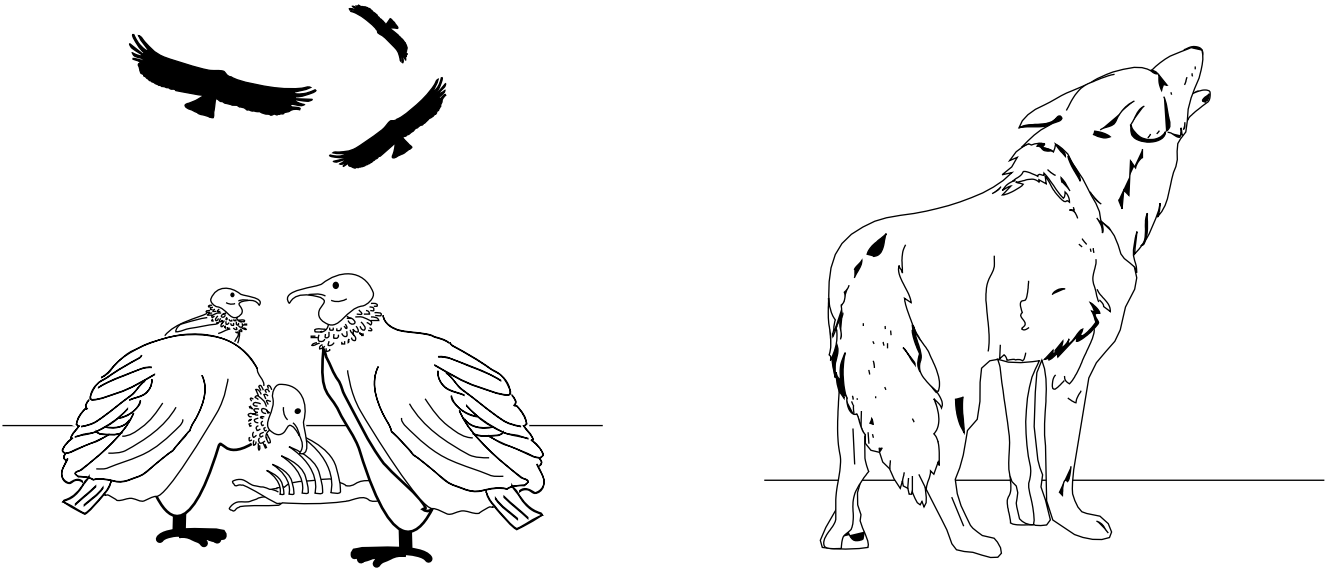


CHAPTER 36 ANIMAL BEHAVIOR**Get the Big Picture**

Read the paragraph in the box and look at the picture. Then answer the questions.

Every animal has behaviors that help it survive. For example, vultures have social behaviors. They eat dead animals while in groups. Other animals, such as the coyote, prefer to live on their own. Some animal behaviors are inherited. This means that an animal inherits genes that control certain behaviors. The genetic makeup of mallard ducks causes them to fly south for the winter. Other behaviors are learned. Learned behaviors result from practice or experience. Young birds learn to build nests by watching other birds and by using trial-and-error learning. Inherited and learned behaviors help animals adapt and survive.



1. How are inherited and learned behaviors different?

2. Which sentence states the main idea of the paragraph? Circle the letter.

- a. Each animal has a certain way of behaving.
- b. Some animal behaviors are inherited.
- c. Young birds learn to build better nests through trial-and-error learning.
- d. Inherited and learned behaviors help animals adapt and pass their genes on to offspring.