

## As Dead as a Dodo

### Glossary

Word	Definition
Mauritius	an island in the Indian Ocean near Africa
Portugeuse	someone from Portugal

### Vocabulary Starter

Word	Definition
stubby	
flightless	

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Complete the table below. Underline all the words which are positive. One row has been done for you as an example.

Verb	-ful	-less
<u>hope</u>	<u>hopeful</u>	hopeless
care		
fear		
joy		

2

Choose the word which describes a 'tragic' story.

really funny

really positive

really sad

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Why do you think the dodo couldn't fly?

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Why do you think sailors brought dogs and pigs to the island?

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How did reading about the dodo make you feel? Did you feel sorry for the dodo? Why?

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List two reasons why the dodo became extinct.

a) \_\_\_\_\_

b) \_\_\_\_\_

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Do you think that humans have something to learn from this story? If so, what?

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What would you say to someone who said animals becoming extinct isn't important?

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**Extension activity**

The only place you can now find a dodo is a museum because \_\_\_\_\_

The dodo lived happily in Mauritius but \_\_\_\_\_

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The dodo was very friendly so \_\_\_\_\_

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