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Flamingos feed with their heads down, and their bills are adapted accordingly. In most birds a smaller lower

beak works _____ a _____ upper one. In _____

_____ is reversed; the _____ bill is much _____ and

stronger, and the fat _____ runs within the bill's deep central groove. To _____ the jaw reversal,

unlike other birds (and _____) the upper jaw is not rigidly fixed to _____ skull.

Consequently, with the bird's head _____ down during feeding the upper bill moves up and down,

permitting the flamingo's jaws _____ to work "normally."

Part of the flamingo's _____ feeding is _____ simply

by swinging the head back and forth and letting the water flow through the bill. The tongue also can be used as a

pump to pass water through the bill's _____ more _____. It moves quickly fore and aft in its

groove, sucking _____ in through the filter as it pulls _____, and _____ it

from the beak as it _____ forward. The tongue may repeat its cycle up to four times a

second.