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- 51) It's amazing how penguins can survive in such cold environments.
 - A. It is
 - B. It has
 - C. It was
 - D. It does
- 52) Penguins don't have teeth, but they've spiny bristles in their mouths.
 - A. does not
 - B. cannot
 - C. did not
 - D. do not
- 53) Penguin parents take turns incubating their eggs, so they're both involved in raising their young.
 - A. they are
 - B. they were
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 - A. must not
 - B. can
 - C. cannot
 - D. will not

Determine if the sentence is a declarative(d), exclamatory(e), interrogative(i) or imperative(m).

- 55) Penguins live in the Southern Hemisphere, mainly in Antarctica.
- 56) Emperor Penguins are the largest species of penguin and can grow up to 4 feet tall, that's incredible!
- 57) Astonishingly, not all penguins live in cold places; some live near the equator!
- 58) Penguins often huddle together to keep warm in harsh weather, that's smart!
- 59) The youngest known fossil of a penguin dates back 60 million years, that's a long time ago!
- 60) Penguins have a thick layer of blubber to keep them warm in cold environments.
- 61) Can penguins fly?
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- 64) Are there different types of penguins?
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- 69) Did you know that penguins have excellent eyesight underwater but less sharp vision on land, that's interesting!
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