

Pier Group

Even on the pier, peer pressure appears. Pelican or person, we all experience persistent and perpetual persuasion to perform like the pack—even if we have to stand on one foot to do it. "I guess you'd go jump in the ocean if your pals did," is a perennial people-parent complaint, when the commendation of contemporaries precludes progenitorial approval. And that's just what a pubescent pelican does with his peers on the pier: jumps in the ocean.