



Birds

Listen and watch for birds

Accessible activity

Topic: Birds

Time: 20-30 minutes



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What should learners already know?

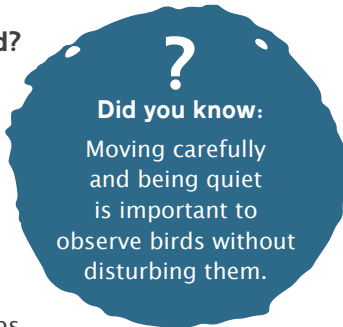
- Birds sing and call to communicate with one another.

What equipment will I need?

- Your eyes and ears.

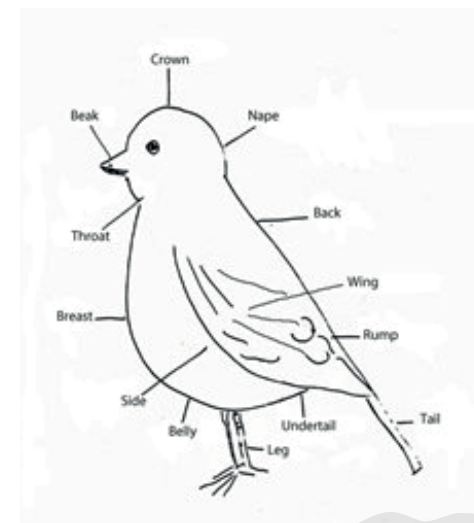
How will learners explore this?

1. Go out into the school grounds or local park. Ask children to sit quietly as a class or in small groups.
2. Tell the children to listen out for any bird song they can hear. Encourage them to try and mimic any bird sounds they can.
3. Encourage children to watch for birds, and they can try to describe them or draw them if they would like.
4. Alternatively, this can just be a mindful activity, watching and listening to birds.
5. If the children would like, they can individually try to get as close as possible to a bird.
6. The children can also follow a specific bird for a few minutes and watch what it is doing. Is it alone or with other birds? Is it silent, singing or making a warning call? Is it looking for food?



How can we show the learning?

- Did you see more birds or hear more birds?
- How close could you get to a bird? What behaviour might allow you to get closer to a bird?



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