

Urban Birds

A MULTI-AGE BIRD UNIT FOR CITY AND BACKYARD BIRDS



Dove Life Cycle

My Bird Watching Journal



Bird Songs

Listen to all of the birds songs included in this unit so you can identify them outside.

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Robin
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Blue Jay
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Downy Woodpecker
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Pigeon / Rock Dove
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Raven
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Hummingbirds
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Blackbirds
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Goldfinch (American)
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Crow
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Gulls
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Owl
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adult - hatchling - squab - fledgling - adult

Urban Birds



Cardinal



Blue Jay



Pigeon Dove



Hummingbird



Goldfinch



Seagull



Sparrow



Wren



Robin



Woodpecker



Raven



Blackbird



Crow

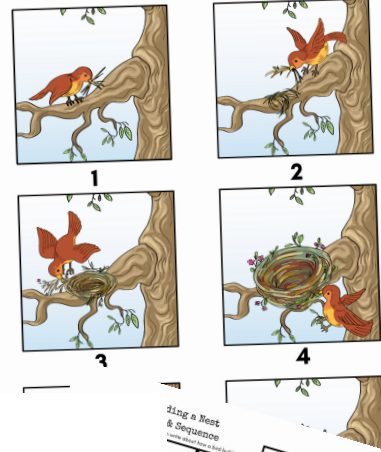


Chickadee



Great Horned Owl

Building a Nest



Building a Nest & Sequence

Word Bank	
First,	bird
Next,	nest
Then,	build
Last,	eggs



Urban Birds BINGO

Can you find all of these types and signs of bird life?



OVER 80 PAGES!

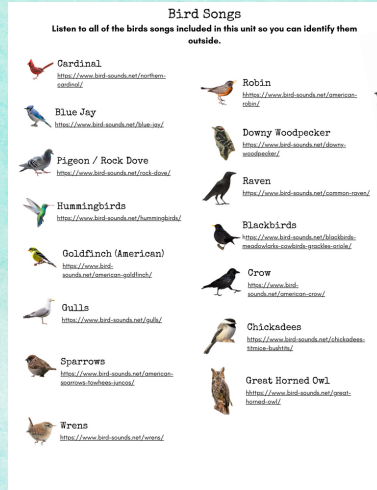
What's Inside



Poster featuring 15 common city birds



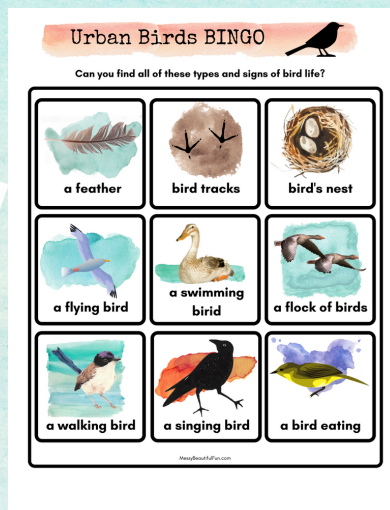
3 Part cards for all 15 birds



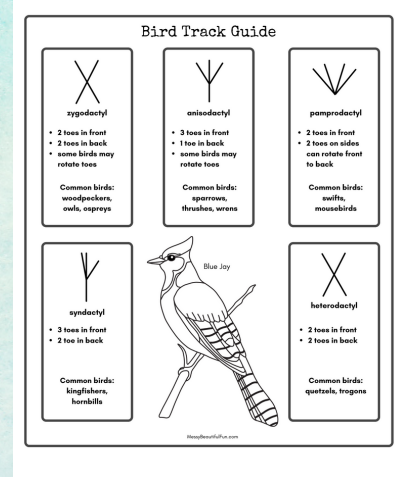
Song guide
Listen to all the birds songs and calls



Book and video suggestion



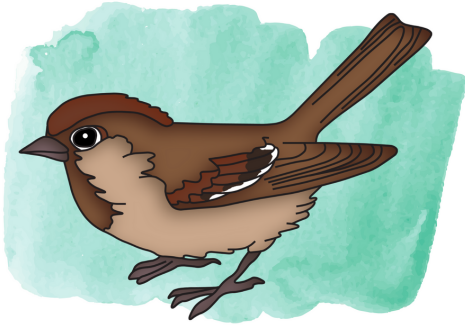
Bird walk BINGO board



Bird track guide

But WAIT, there's more...

My Bird Watching Journal



Name: _____

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What kind of bird was it?

What's Inside

10 page bird journal to track birds,
feathers, nests, and more!
With 2 levels of writing pages.

Birds I See

Who? Draw the bird you saw:

Birds I See

Where:

When:

Why were you there?

How did you see it (binoculars?)

Notes

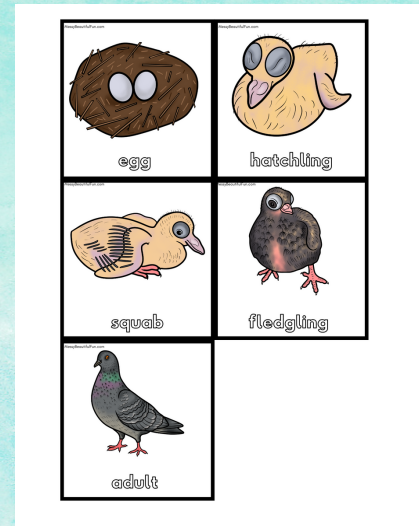
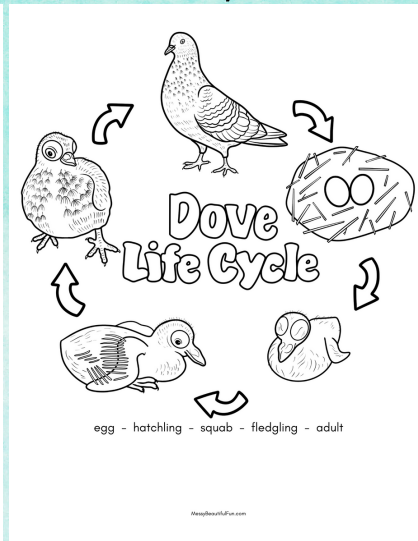
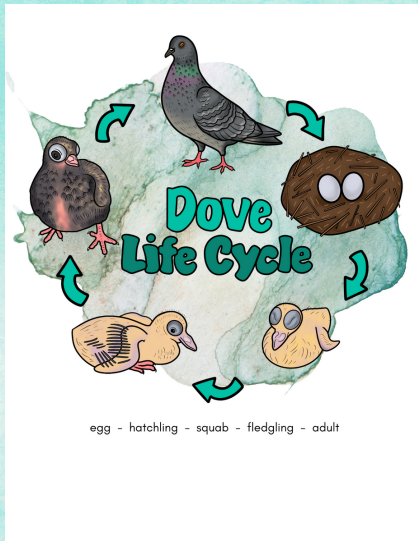
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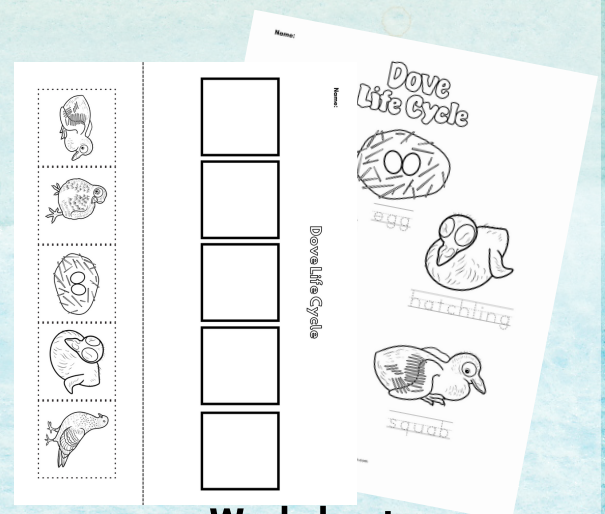
What's Inside

Dove/Pigeon Life Cycle Pack with posters, bulletin board pieces, worksheets, and a mini book!



Color & BW Version Posters

Sequence Cards

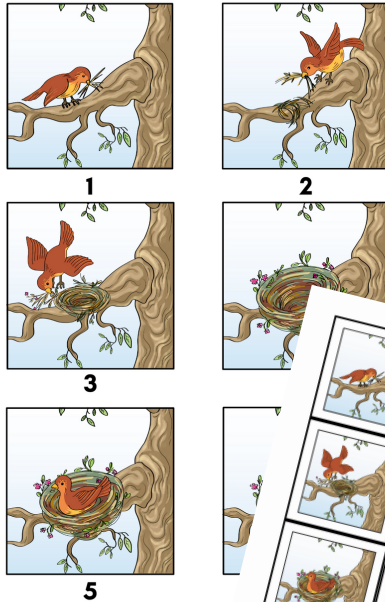


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What's Inside

Building a nest sequence pack with poster, cards, mini book and coloring book, wordless book for dictation or writing, and worksheets.

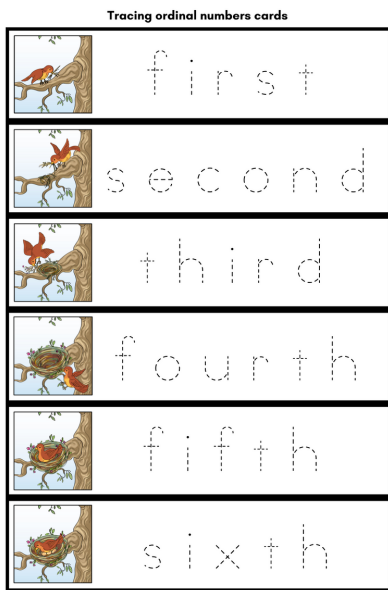
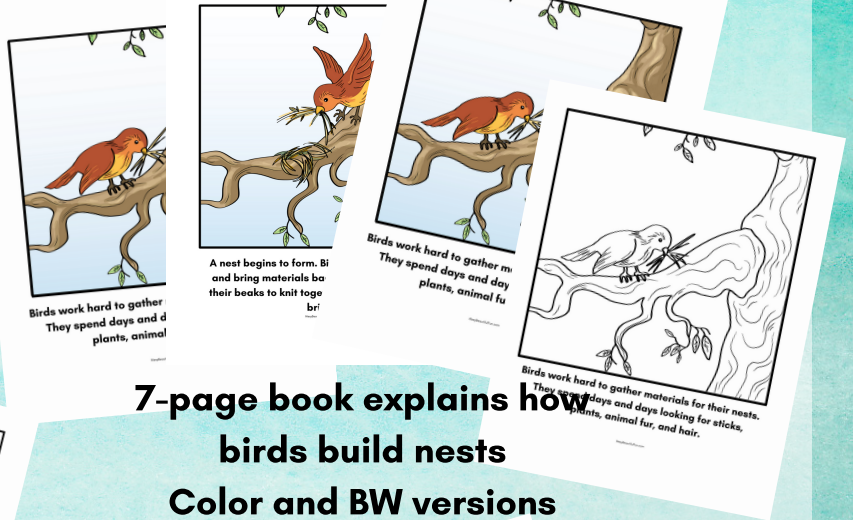
Building a Nest



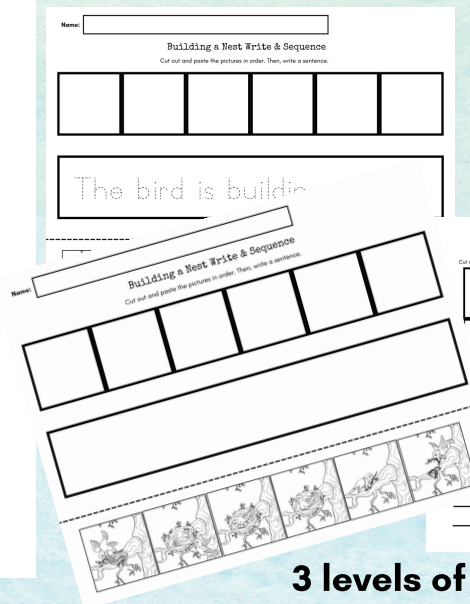
Poster & sequence cards



7-page book explains how birds build nests
Color and BW versions

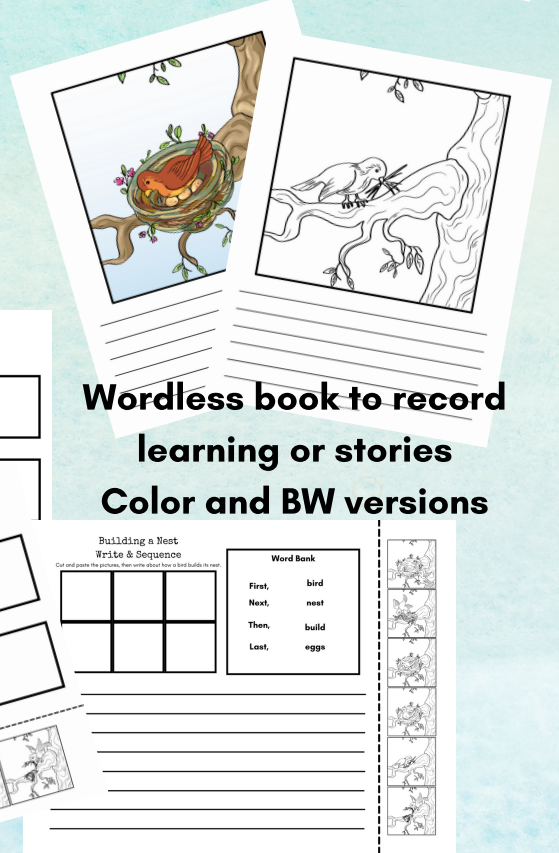


Ordinal number tracing



3 levels of worksheets

Wordless book to record learning or stories
Color and BW versions

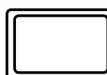
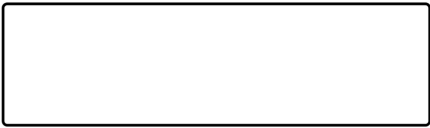
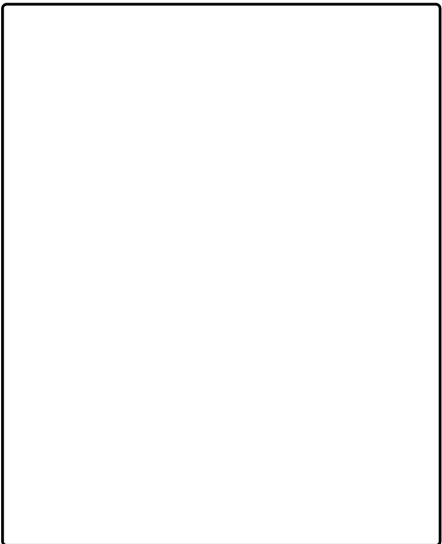


But WAIT, there's more...

What's Inside

Bird Report Book - 11 pages

Write a nonfiction report on a bird of your choice

	My Bird Report	   	Table of Contents	   	Quick Bird Facts				
Name: _____ HandyBeeCraft.com									
All About A Bird		Parts of a Bird	Draw and label a bird	Bird Fact					
Type of bird:									
Fact 1: Detail 1:					_____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____				
Fact 2: Detail 1:									
Fact 3: Detail 1:	HandyBeeCraft.com	HandyBeeCraft.com	HandyBeeCraft.com						

But WAIT, there's more...

What's Inside

Plus extra writing worksheets!

Worksheet 1: **Parts of a Bird**
Name: _____
Draw & label a bird.

Worksheet 2: **Birds**
Name: _____
Draw and label a bird.
beak feathers feet legs eyes wing tail

Worksheet 3: **Birds**
Name: _____
Birds can... Birds have...

Worksheet 4: **Bird Words**
Name: _____
List words that describe birds

Worksheet 5: **Compare Two birds**
Name: _____
Bird: _____
Similarities _____
Bird: _____

Worksheet 6: **Birds**
Name: _____
Things I want to know _____
Facts I learned _____

Contents

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Bird Video Guide

Great videos to accompany your bird unit

Identifying 80 Backyard Birds

Learn to identify the looks and calls of 80 birds!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pEXX6Oyuj4k>

Why do birds sing?

Learn why birds sing or call

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ytPVMoHLumo>

Baby Robin Hatching

Watch a baby robin hatch

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6JCSNvoQl20>

Watch a hummingbird build its nest

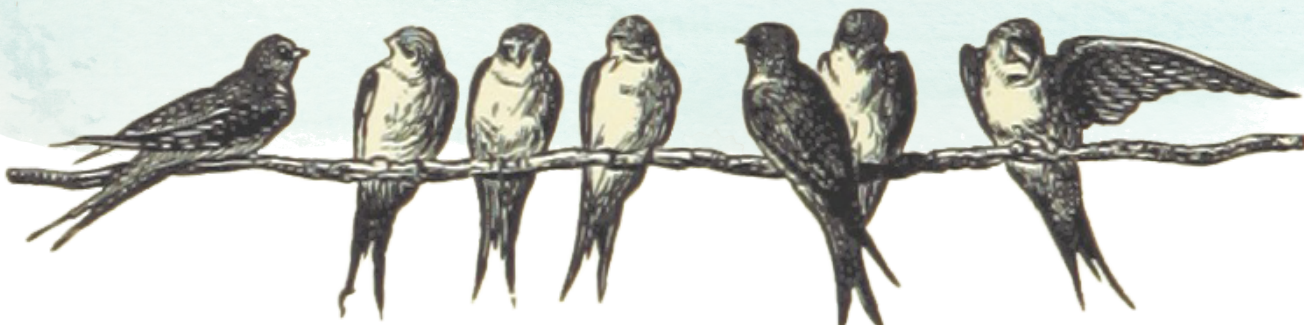
Watch a hummingbird build a cozy nest and knit it together

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpDCQBPTFM>

How do birds fly?

Find out how birds fly

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cgO07y9JIIE>



Bird Books Guide

Great books to accompany your bird unit

The Little Book of Backyard Bird Songs (sound buttons!)

<https://www.amazon.ca/Little-Book-Backyard-Bird-Songs/dp/1770857443/>

About Birds: A Guide for Children

<https://www.amazon.ca/About-Birds-Children-Cathryn-Sill/dp/1561456993/>

***YouTube read-aloud: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G7cskr0bYho>**

DK Birds: Explore Nature

<https://www.amazon.ca/Birds-Explore-Nature-Facts-Activities/dp/1465457577>

National Geographic Little Kids First Big Book of Birds

<https://www.amazon.ca/National-Geographic-Little-First-Birds/dp/1426324324/>

***YouTube read-aloud: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mU7ywu63ncw>**

Birds: A Fully Illustrated Guide by Little Golden Guides

<https://www.amazon.ca/Birds-Illustrated-Authoritative-Easy-Use/dp/1582381283>

DK Ultimate Sticker Book North American Birds

<https://www.amazon.ca/Ulimate-Sticker-Book-North-American/dp/0756615097>

Birds, nests & Eggs

<https://www.amazon.ca/Birds-Nests-Eggs-Mel-Boring/dp/155971624X>

National Geographic Kids Bird Guide of North America

<https://www.amazon.ca/National-Geographic-Guide-America-Second/dp/1426330731>

Bird Songs

Listen to all of the birds songs included in this unit so you can identify them outside.



Cardinal

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/northern-cardinal/>



Blue Jay

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/blue-jay/>



Pigeon / Rock Dove

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/rock-dove/>



Hummingbirds

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/hummingbirds/>



Goldfinch (American)

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/american-goldfinch/>



Gulls

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/gulls/>



Sparrows

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/american-sparrows-towhees-juncos/>



Wrens

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/wrens/>



Robin

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/american-robin/>



Downy Woodpecker

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/downy-woodpecker/>



Raven

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/common-raven/>



Blackbirds

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/blackbirds-meadowlarks-cowbirds-grackles-oriole/>



Crow

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/american-crow/>



Chickadees

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/chickadees-titmice-bushtits/>



Great Horned Owl

<https://www.bird-sounds.net/great-horned-owl/>

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Cardinal



Blue Jay



Pigeon Dove



Hummingbird



Goldfinch



Seagull



Forest Sparrow



Wren



Robin



Downy Woodpecker



Raven



Blackbird



Crow



Chickadee



Great Horned Owl



Cardinal



Pigeon Dove



Blue Jay



Hummingbird



Goldfinch



Seagull



Sparrow



Wren



Robin



Raven



Woodpecker



Blackbird



Crow



Chickadee



Great Horned Owl



Cardinal



Pigeon Dove



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Hummingbird



Goldfinch



Seagull



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Great Horned Owl

Urban Birds BINGO



Can you find all of these types and signs of bird life?



a feather



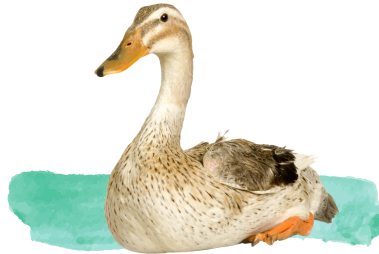
bird tracks



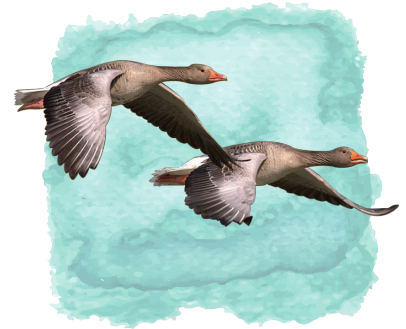
bird's nest



a flying bird



**a swimming
bird**



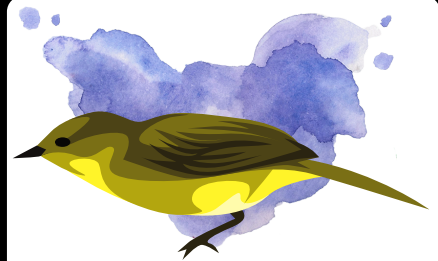
a flock of birds



a walking bird



a singing bird



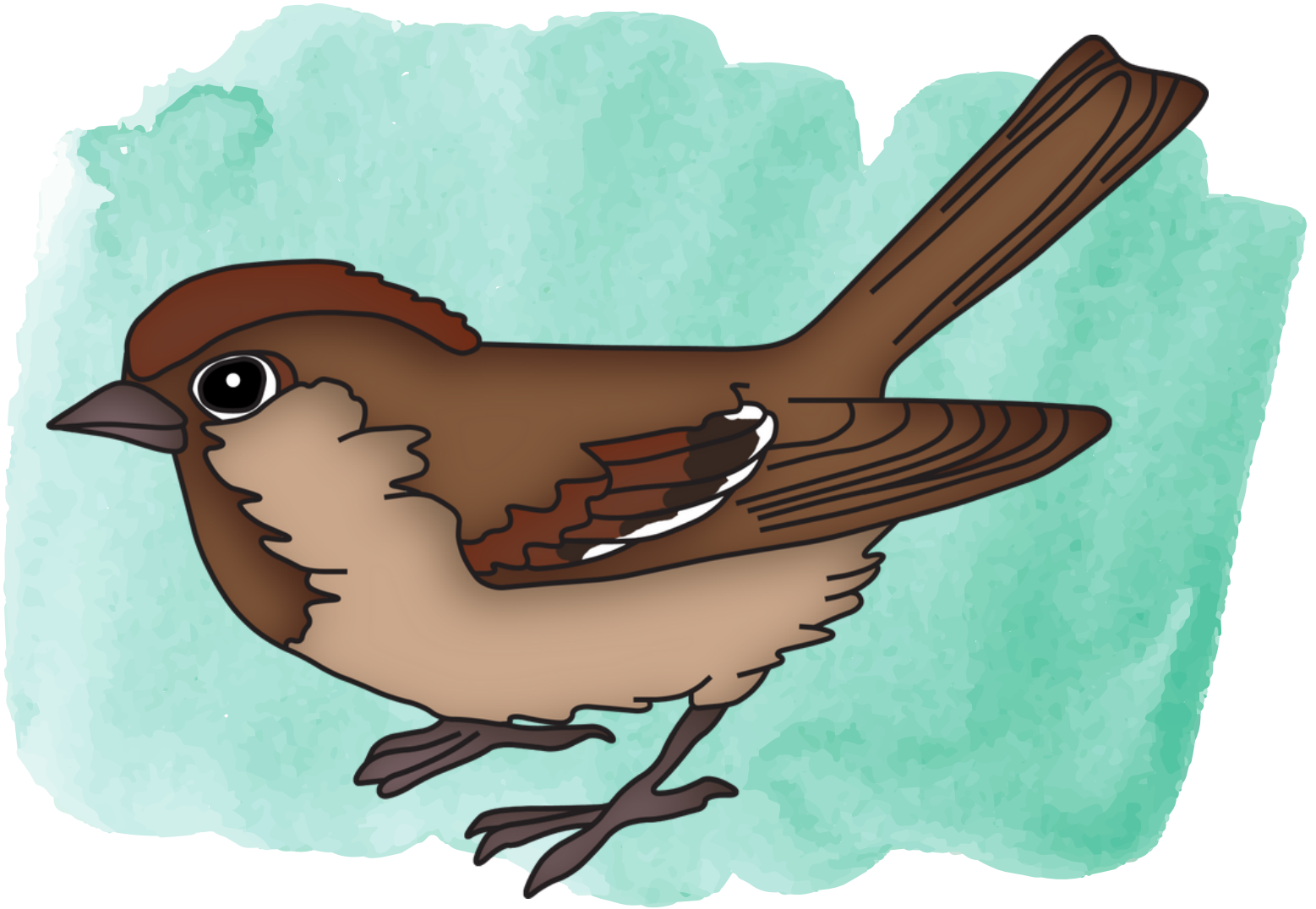
a bird eating

My Bird Watching Journal



Name:

My Bird Watching Journal



Name:

My Bird Watching Journal

Name:

Who? Draw the bird you saw:

Birds I See



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Where:

When:

Why were you there?

How did you see it? (binoculars?)

Notes

Who? Draw the bird you saw:

Birds I See



What kind of bird was it?



Feathers I See



Draw the feather you spotted

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for drawing a feather.

What type of bird does this feather belong to?

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for writing the type of bird the feather belongs to.



Feathers I See



Draw the feather you spotted

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to draw the feather they spotted.

When did you find it?

A rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to write down when they found the feather.

Where did you find it?

A rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to write down where they found the feather.

Who were you with?

A rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to write down who they were with when they found the feather.

What type of bird does this feather belong to?

A rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to write down what type of bird the feather belongs to.

Describe or list words that describe this feather:

A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for a child to describe the feather or list words that describe it.



Bird Tracks I See



Draw the tracks you spotted:

What type of bird do these tracks belong to?

Bird Tracks I See

Draw the tracks you spotted

When did you find them?

Where did you find them?

Who were you with?

What type of tracks are these (use your guide)

Describe or list words that describe these tracks:

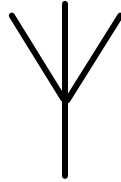
Bird Track Guide



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- 2 toes in front
- 2 toes in back
- some birds may rotate toes

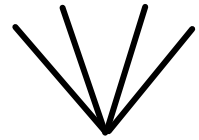
Common birds:
woodpeckers,
owls, ospreys



anisodactyl

- 3 toes in front
- 1 toe in back
- some birds may rotate toes

Common birds:
sparrows,
thrushes, wrens



pamprodactyl

- 2 toes in front
- 2 toes on sides
can rotate front
to back

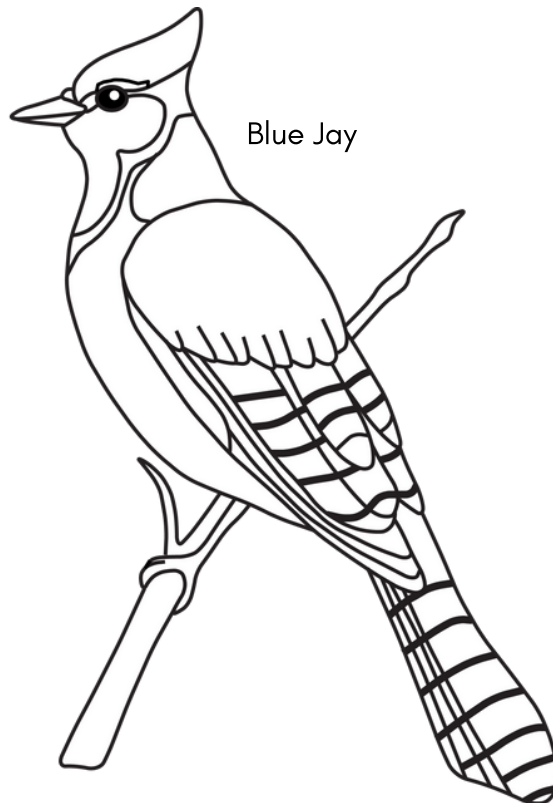
Common birds:
swifts,
mousebirds



syndactyl

- 3 toes in front
- 2 toe in back

Common birds:
kingfishers,
hornbills



heterodactyl

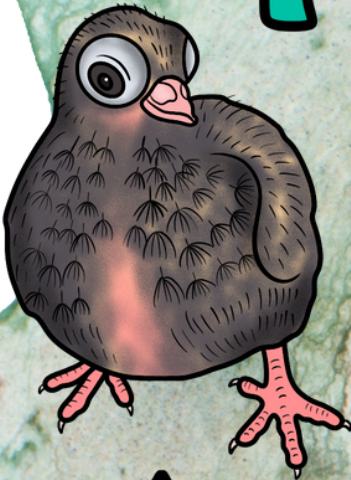
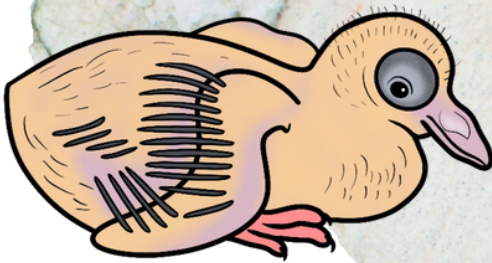
- 2 toes in front
- 2 toes in back

Common birds:
quetzels, trogons



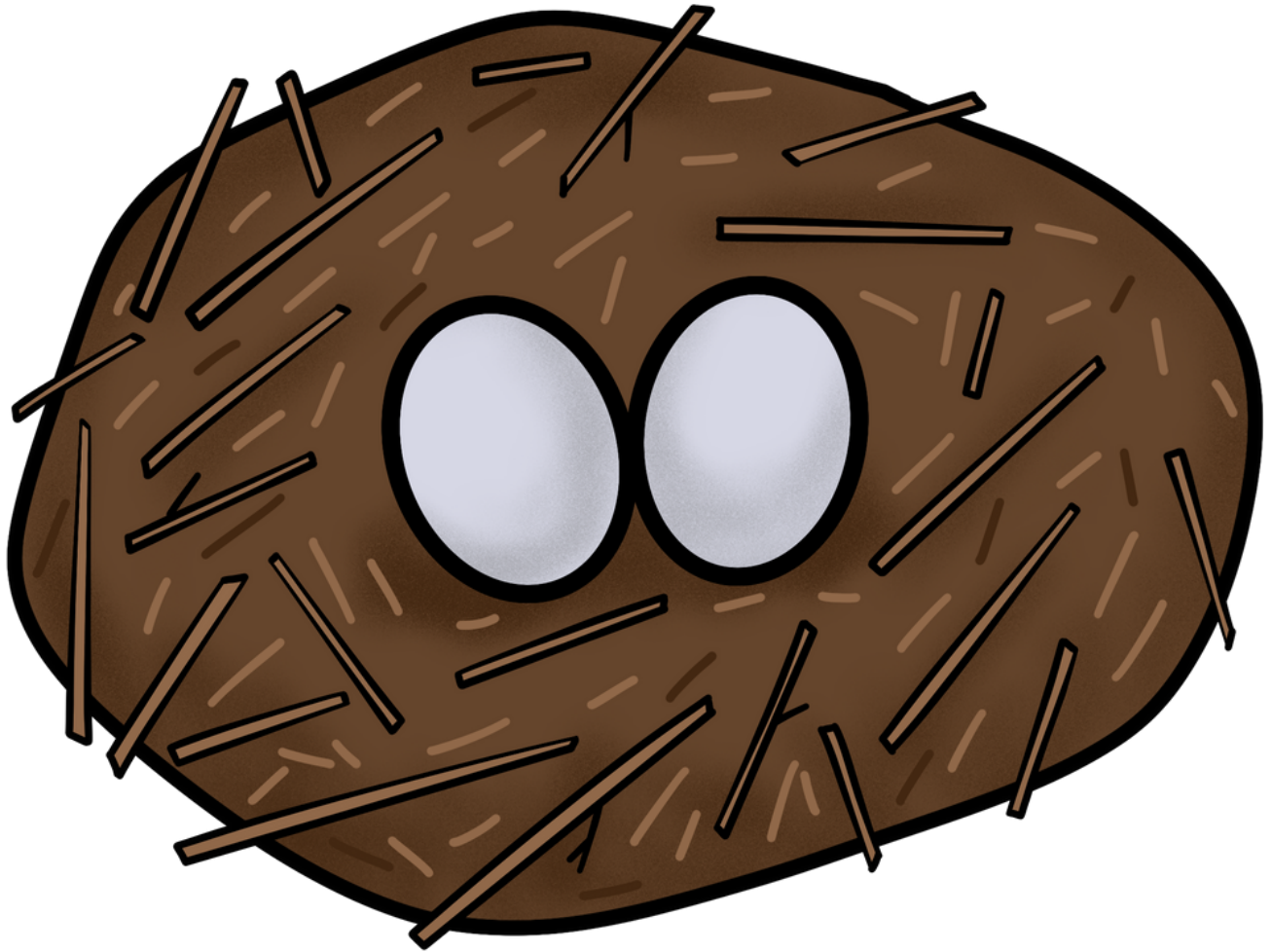
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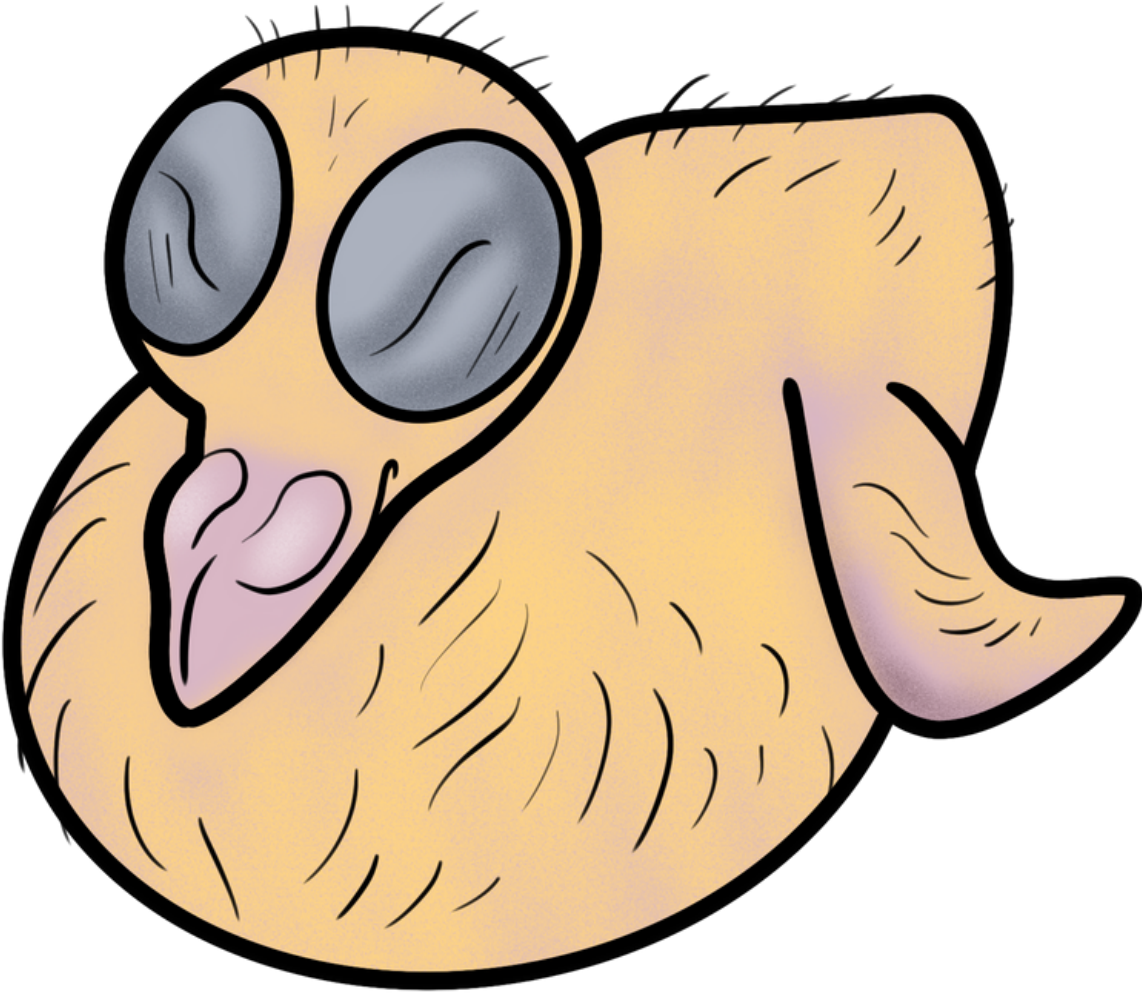
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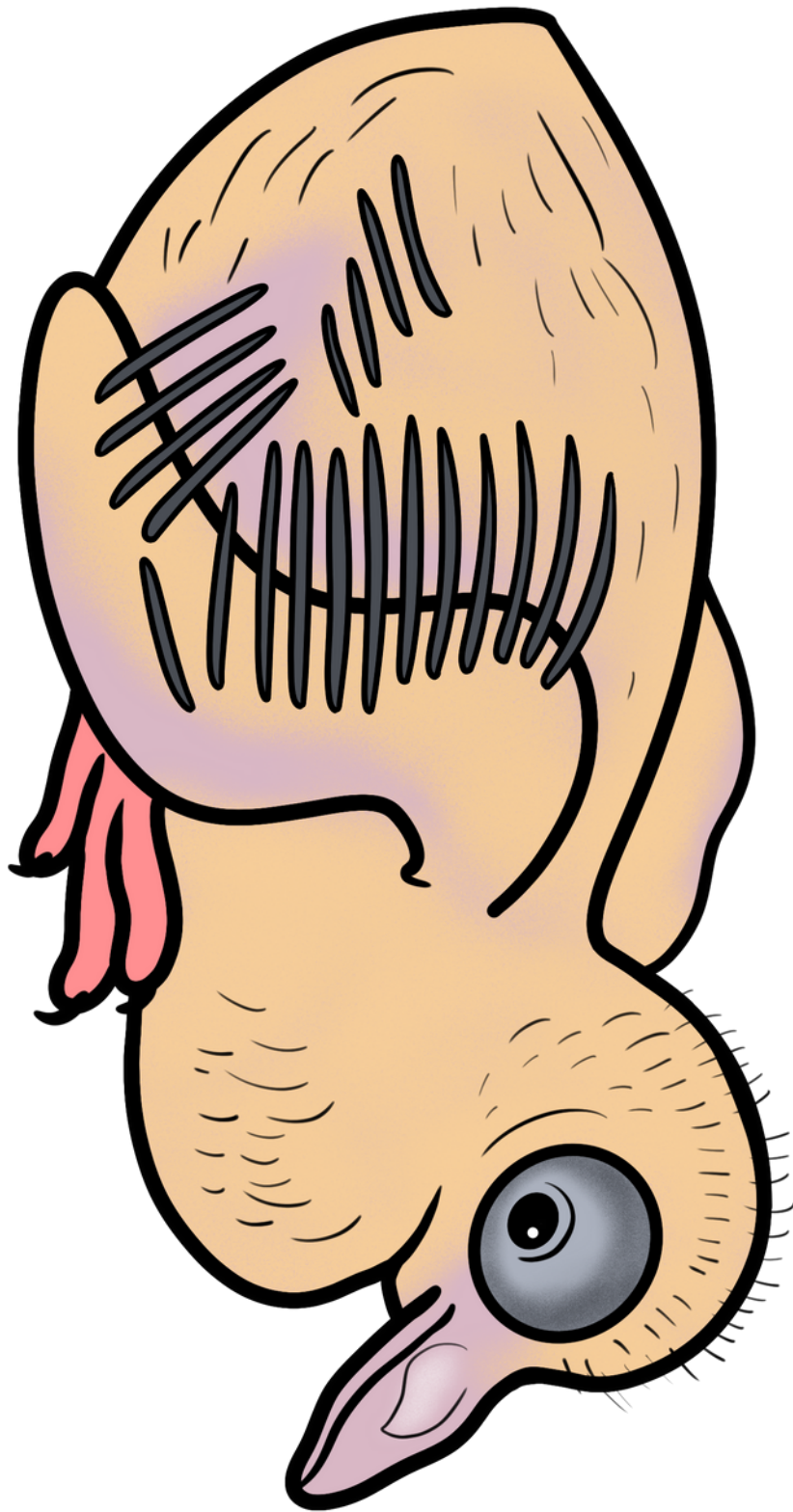


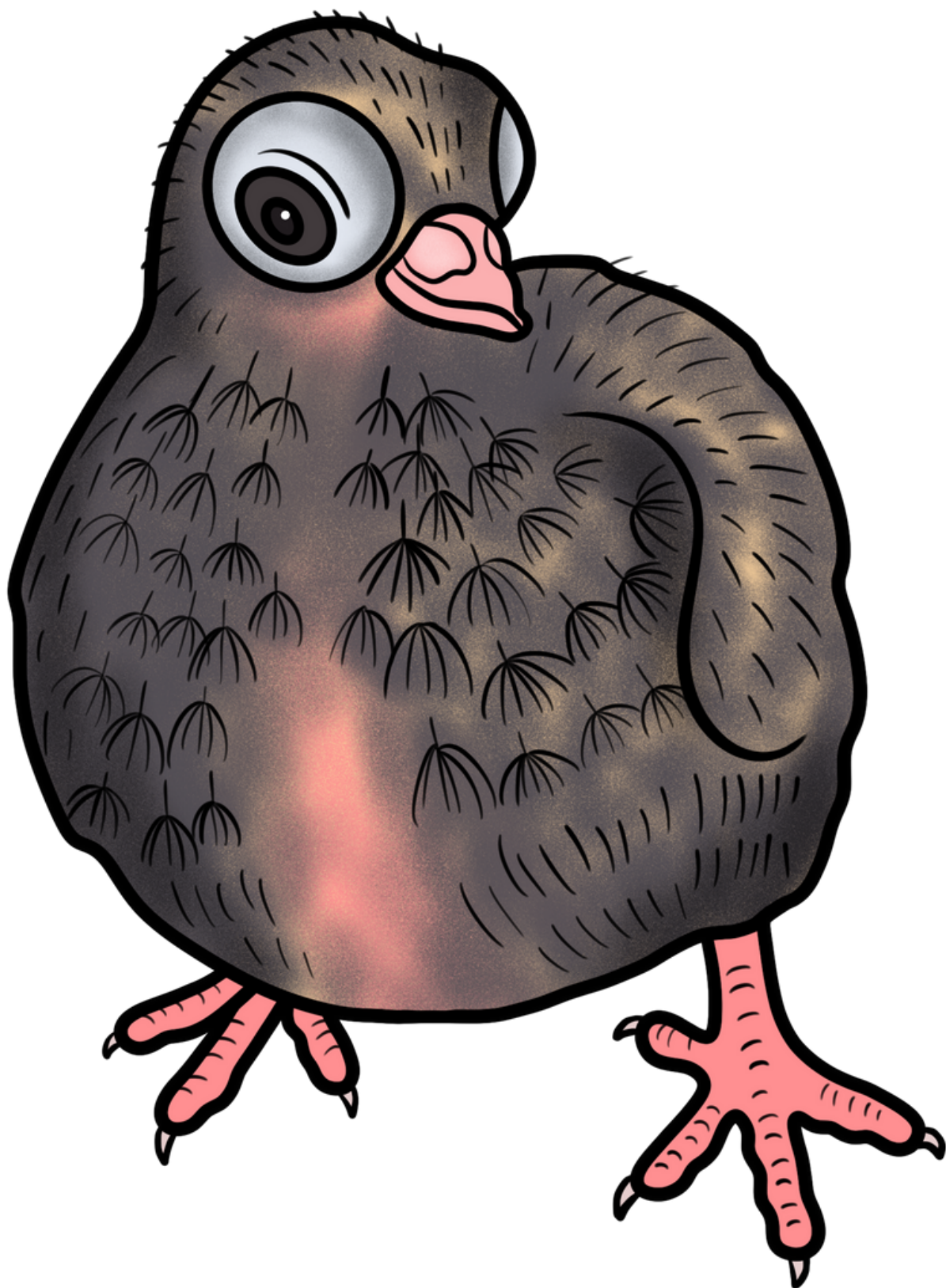
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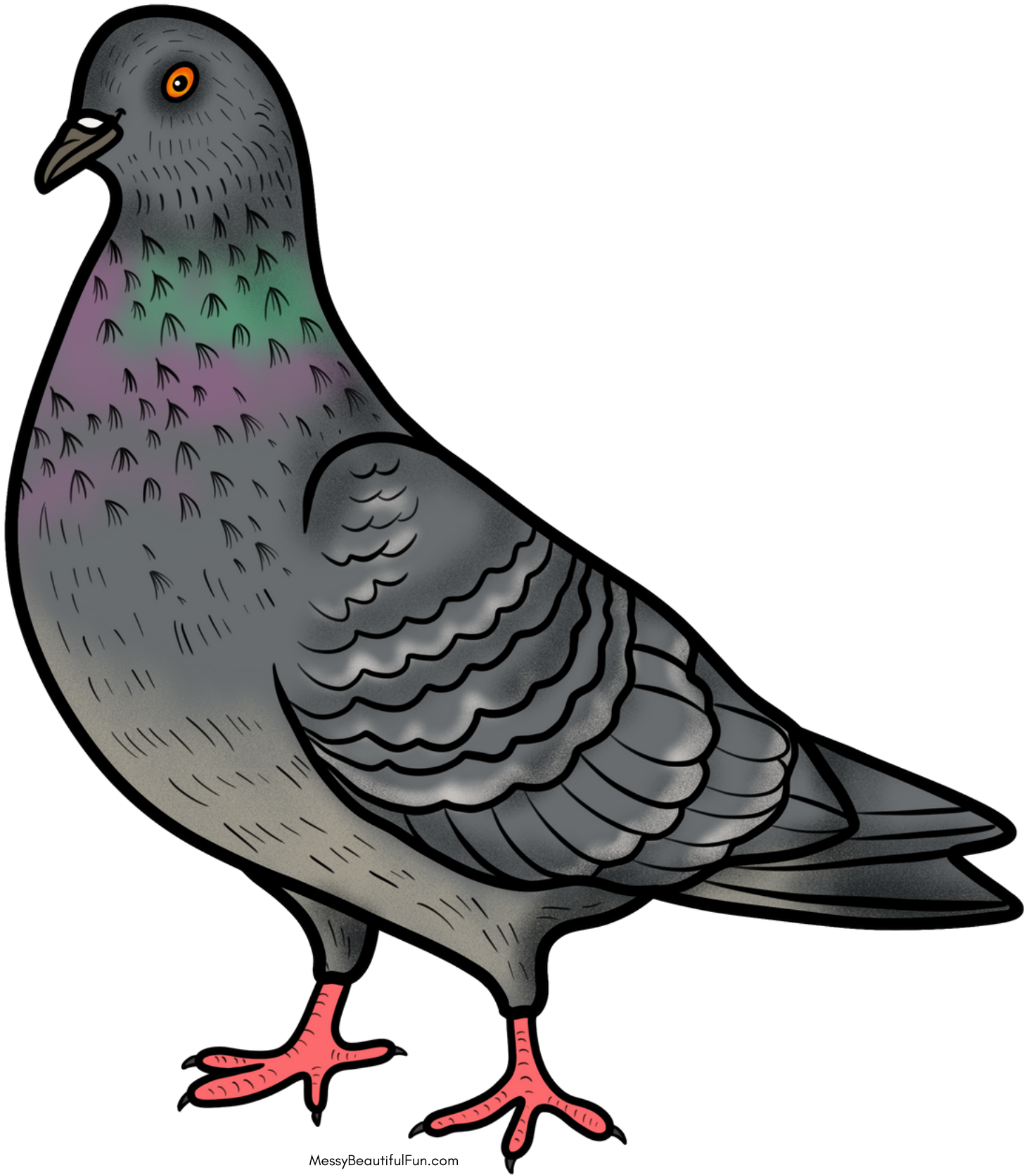
Life Cycle











wall cards

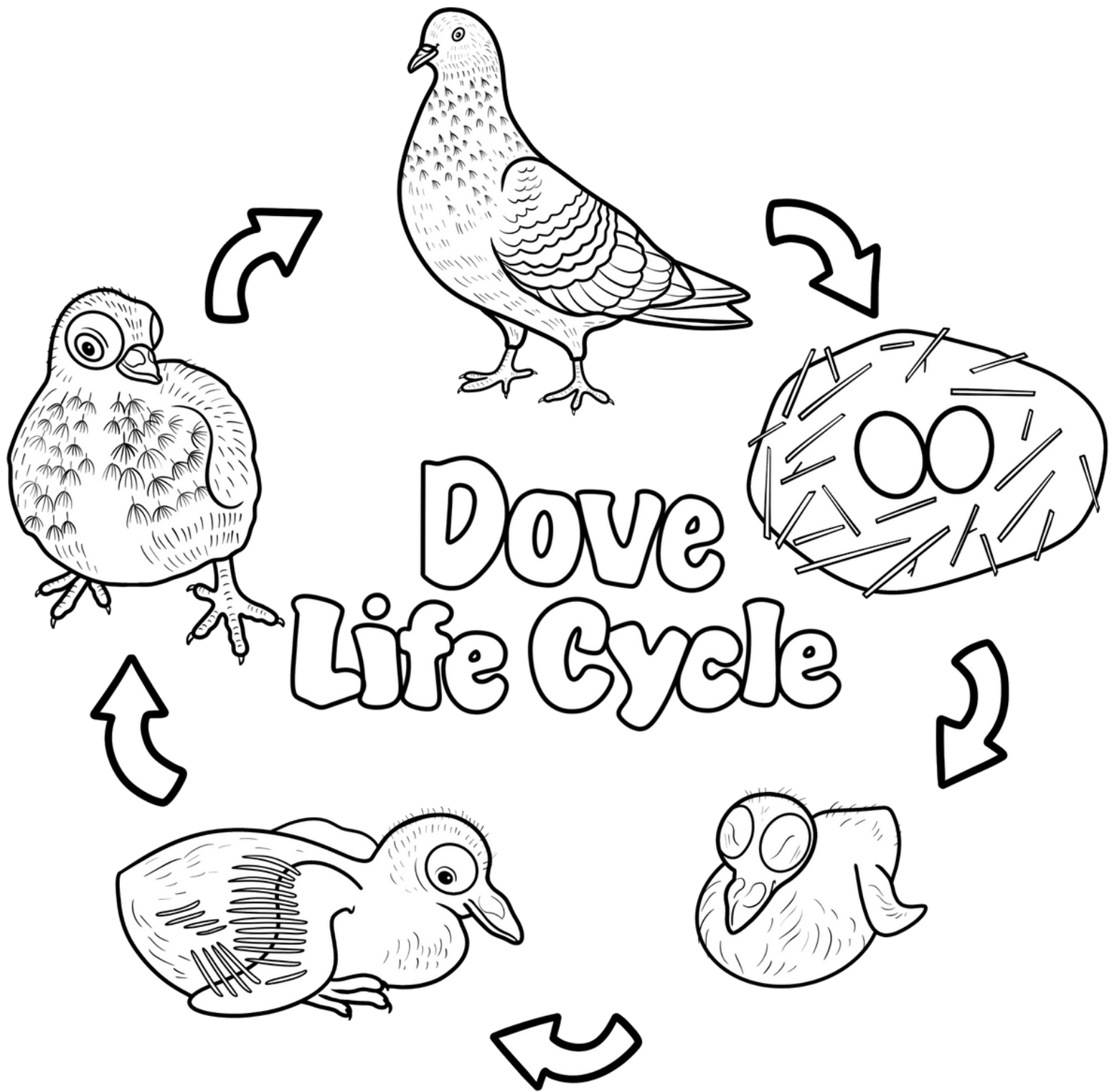
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hatchling

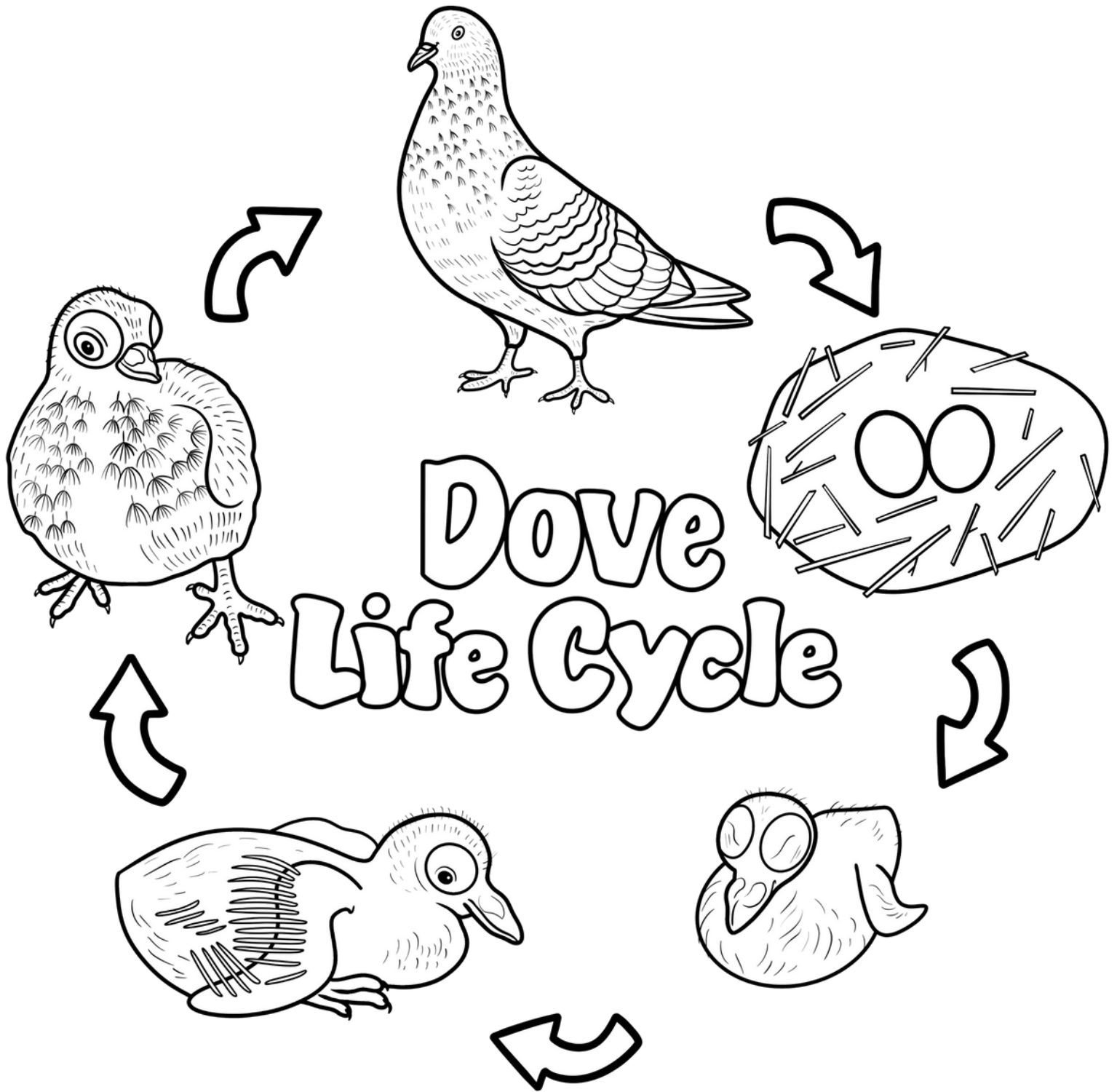
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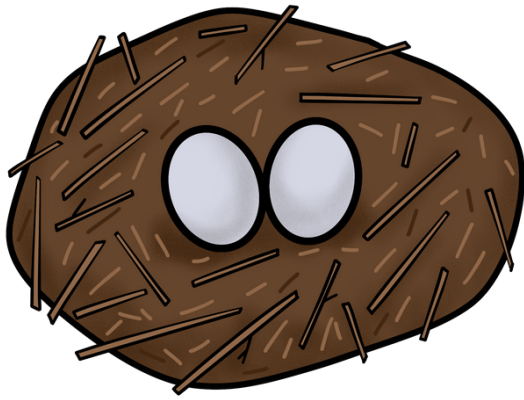
fledgling

adult

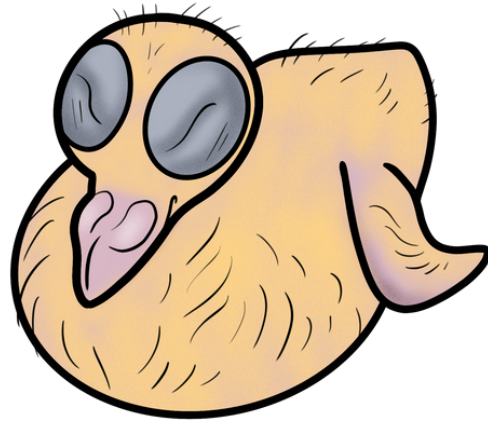


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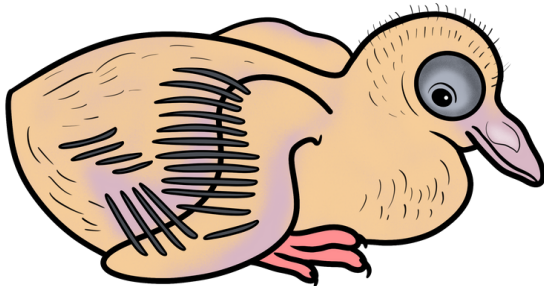




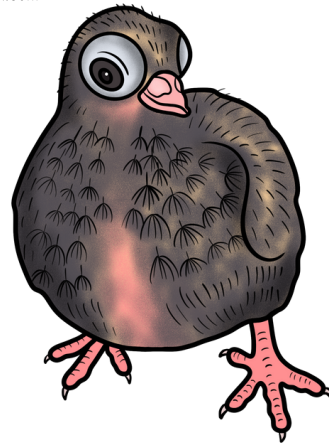
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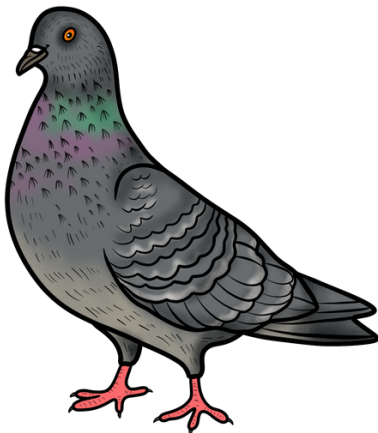
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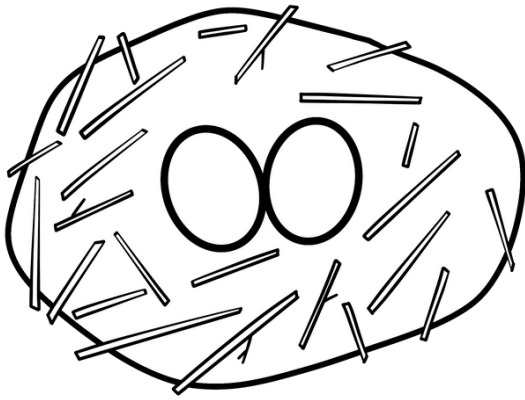
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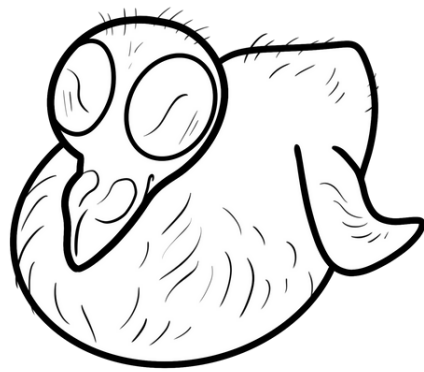
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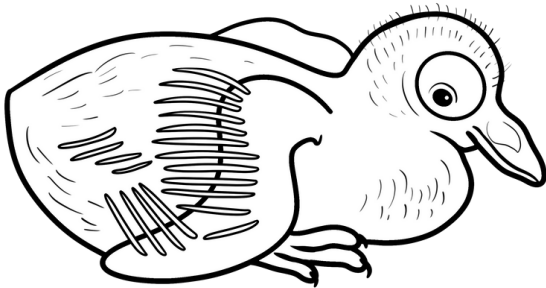
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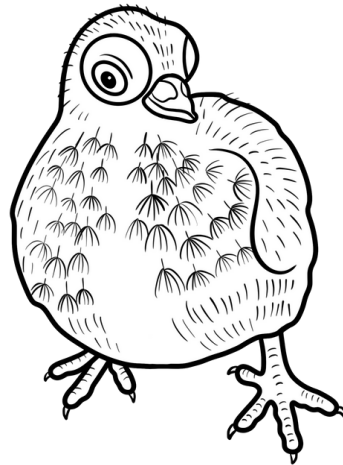
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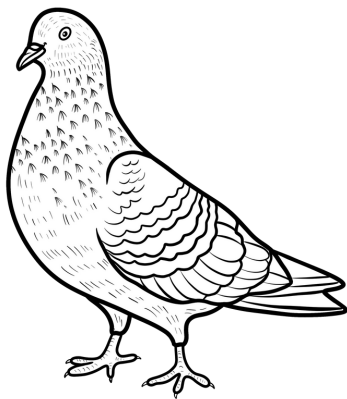
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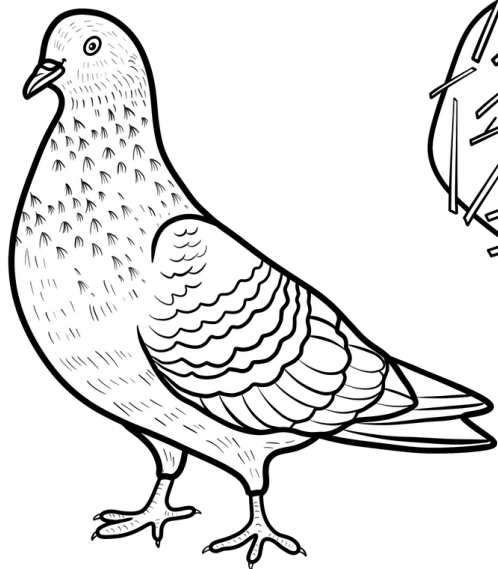
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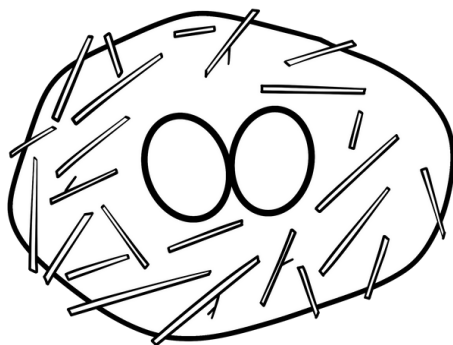
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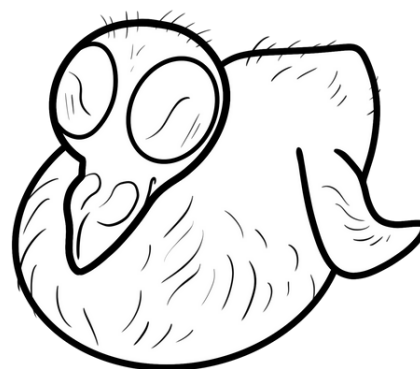
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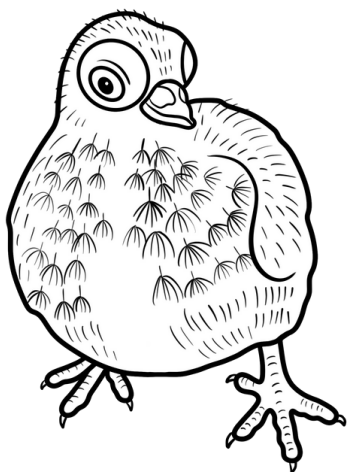
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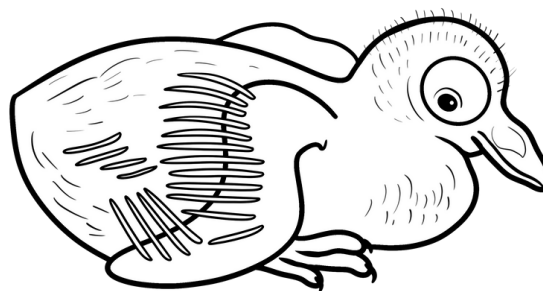
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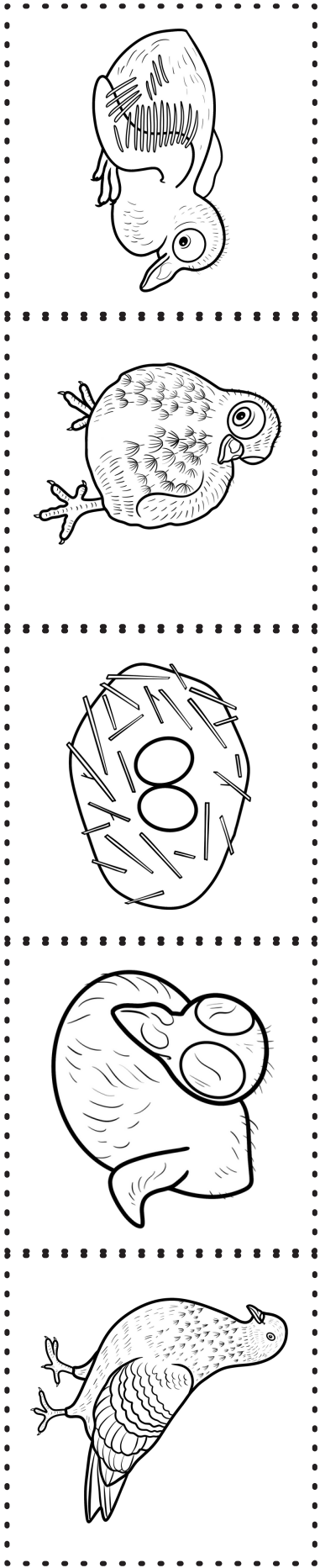


squab

Name: _____

Dove Life Cycle

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Dove Life Cycle

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**Some call them doves. Some people call them pigeons. But no matter what you call them, these birds are pretty amazing!
Let's take a look at their life cycle.**

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Doves gather sticks. feathers, fur. hair - almost anything they can find to build their nests.



Once their nests are built, female pigeons will lay their eggs.



It takes about 18 days for the eggs to hatch. Then, the baby doves slowly make their way out. They are now called hatchlings.

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Hatchlings depend on their mother to feed them. They stay in their nest and do not move around much.



After a few days, the baby birds grow. They are now called squabs. They can see better and walk around their nest more. They begin to get curious about the world around them.



Soon the babies start to grow their flying feathers. Now they can start flying lessons with mom!



Fledglings will fly out of the nest with their mothers and practice flying, walking around, and finding food. Their mothers much teach them everything they need to know to survive before they leave the nest.



**Very soon after they're born baby doves grow into fully-grown birds. There are many different kinds of doves!
Can you see any in your neighborhood?**

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1



2



3



4



5



6

Sequence Cards



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Book & Question Cards

**Read about how a bird builds its nest
and talk about it afterward.**

**Question cards can also be used as
journal prompts.**

Book Companion Question Cards

Before reading:

What do you think this book is about?

Do you think this book is fiction or nonfiction?

After reading:

Why do birds build nests?

**When do birds usually build their nests?
Why do you think this is?**

Tell me how a bird will build its nest.

What materials might a bird use to build their nest? Why do you think this is?

Building a Nest





**Birds work hard to gather materials for their nests.
They spend days and days looking for sticks,
plants, animal fur, and hair.**



A nest begins to form. Birds have small beaks and bring materials back bit by bit. They use their beaks to knit together the materials they bring.



After many trips back and forth, the nest has a shape. Birds make their nests stick together by using mud, spider webs, or their own saliva as a type of glue. Now the bird can fill it with softer materials it finds to make it cozy.



Finally, the nest is ready!

Birds usually build their nests during the warmer months in the city when they are preparing to have babies, or reproduce.



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Wordless Books

**Kids can write or
dictate their own
story.**



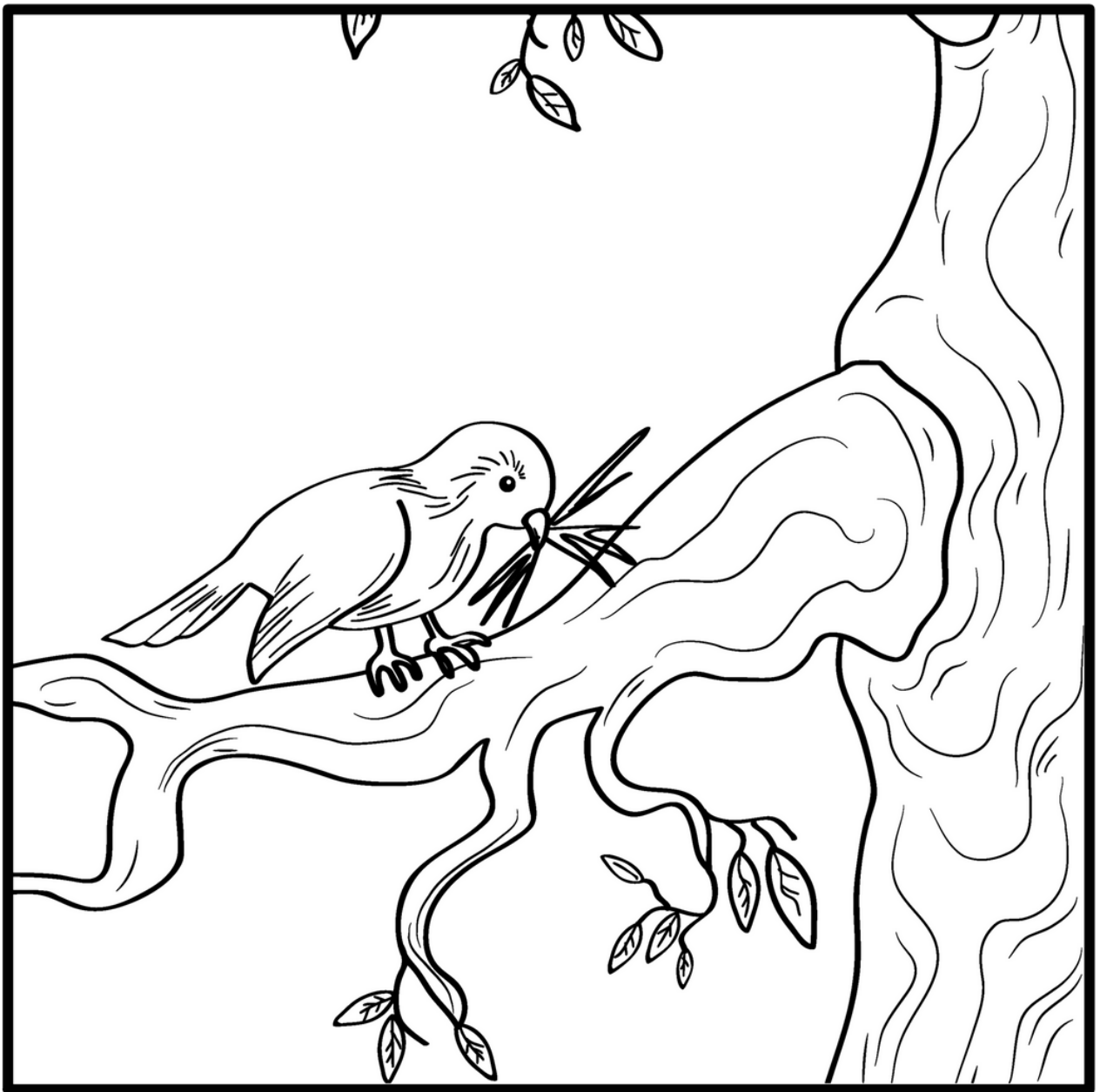






















Sequence worksheets

**Sequence and write worksheets for
different levels.**

Building a Nest

Write & Sequence

Cut and paste the pictures, then write about how a bird builds its nest.

Word Bank

First, **bird**
Next, **nest**
Then, **build**
Last, **eggs**



Name: _____

Building a Nest Write & Sequence

Cut out and paste the pictures in order. Then, write a sentence.

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The bird is building a nest.



Name:

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Word strips

**Practice writing
ordinal numbers 1-6.**

Tracing ordinal numbers cards



first



second



third



fourth



fifth

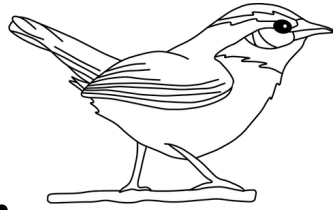


sixth

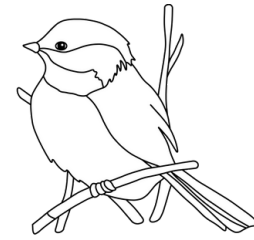
Misc. Worksheets

Use these worksheets to record learning, to fill up common core standards, or as an extra for early finishers in a classroom.

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Birds

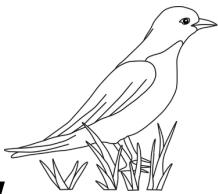


Birds can...

Birds have...

Birds are...

Name:



Birds



Things I know

Things I want to know

Facts I learned

Name:

Birds

Draw and label a bird

beak

feathers

feet

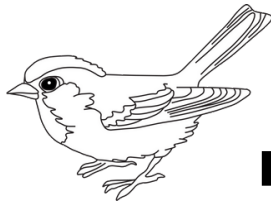
legs

eyes

wing

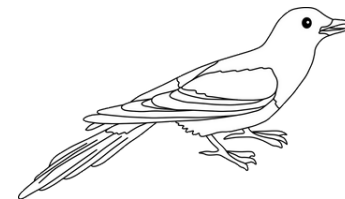
tail

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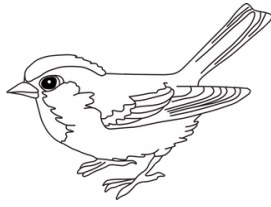


Bird Words

List words that describe birds

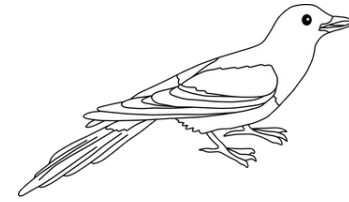


Name:



Parts of a Bird

Draw & label a bird.



A large, empty rectangular box with a thick black border, intended for drawing and labeling a bird.

Name: Comapre Two birds

Bird:	Similarities	Bird: