



SCIENCE 4 ME

Explore your world with this Science-4-Me adventure!



Computer fun! Check out more Birds at the Cornell University Lab of Ornithology!
cams.allaboutbirds.org

BIRDS

Picture Books:

Nest, Jorey Hurley
Feathers for Lunch, Lois Ehlert
Owl Moon, Jane Yolen

Early Readers

Owls, Laura Marsh ER 598.97 MAR
Brilliant Birds, Thea Feldman ER 598 FEL
Baby Owls, Christina Leaf ER 598.971 LEA
Parrots, Rob Ryndak ER 598.71 RYN
Toucans, Megan Borgert-Spaniol ER 598.75 BOR

In-Depth or Series

Bird Talk, What Birds are Saying and Why,
Lita Judge J 598.159 JUD
How do Birds Find Their Way? Roma Gans J 598.2 GAN
Thunder Birds, Jim Arnosky J 598.153 ARN
Backyard Birds, series by Lisa J Amstutz
Raptors, series by Rosemary Jennings

Non-fiction

A Tiny Beak and Spiky Feathers, Ellen Lawrence J 598 LAW
Birds, Closer Look, Sue Malyan J 598 MAL
Birds, Really Weird Animals, Clare Hibbert J 598 HIB
Birds, Animal Classifications, Angela Royston J 598 ROY
The World's Biggest Birds, Mari Schuh J 598 SCH

LOCAL CONNECTION

Clark County Wetlands Park & Nature Preserve

Located east of Las Vegas off East Tropicana and Wetlands Park Lane.
www.clarkcountynv.gov/wetlandspark

Learn about our local wetlands, home to birds and over 300 species of plants and animals.

Gibson Library

100 W Lake Mead Pkwy, 89015
(702) 565-8402

Green Valley Library

2797 N Green Valley Pkwy, 89014
(702) 207-4260

Paseo Verde Library

280 S Green Valley Pkwy, 89012
(702) 492-7252

BIRD WATCHING

ACTIVITY!

Birding is a great way to connect children with science and nature.

Choose a favorite location where birds are plentiful and easy to view, such as your backyard, or a park. Taking time to watch birds can open a child's eyes to diversity of species and spark a lifelong interest in animals and the outdoors.

What you need:

- National Geographic Kids Bird Guide of North America
- The website: <https://askabiologist.asu.edu/activities/birds>
- Pencil or pen and paper
- Binoculars (if available)
- A Field guide to Western Birds (available at your library)



Try this:

1. Find a good spot to study birds. For instance, if you are observing birds in your backyard, find a window or an area where you can watch birds without disturbing them.
2. Ask your child to look at the birds closely. Ask what color is it? What type of sound, if any is it making? What does is sound like it is saying? Are there more than one bird? Are there other birds that look differently? What do you think the birds are doing?
3. Try to find the birds you are observing in the Bird Guide. Can you find them? Write down a description of what the birds looked like. Have your child draw a picture of the bird.

Electronic Resources
(download from www.hendersonlibraries.com)
Birds of North America
Birds
How Rocket learned to Read
Are you my Mother?
Birdology : 30 activities and observations for exploring the world of birds
Familiar Animals : get to know the animals that live closest to us.

What's the connection between science and writing? Scientists are chronic writers! They write down hunches, observations, and they sketch whatever they are studying. Writing and sketching are important tools real scientists use to help themselves think.

JOURNAL

Using the Bird and Field Guide, look for birds you and your child have seen in the past. As you find birds you have seen, point out the bird's picture.

With your child, make a "Birds I Have Seen" list.

How many can you list?

List birds you would like to see.