

Outdoor Education

Lesson 2 : Grades 3-6

Knowing the Birds Around Us



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Learning Intention:

I can identify birds by how they look and how they sound.

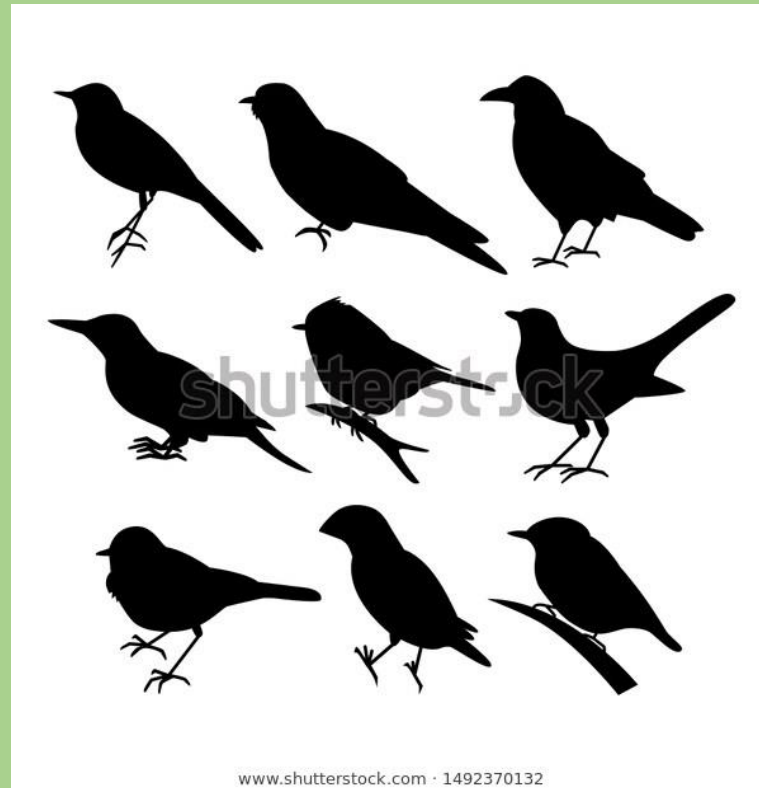


**In the lesson “Birds of a Feather”,
you were asked to go outside and observe birds.**

**How many birds
did you count?**



**Did you notice the
silhouettes of some birds?**

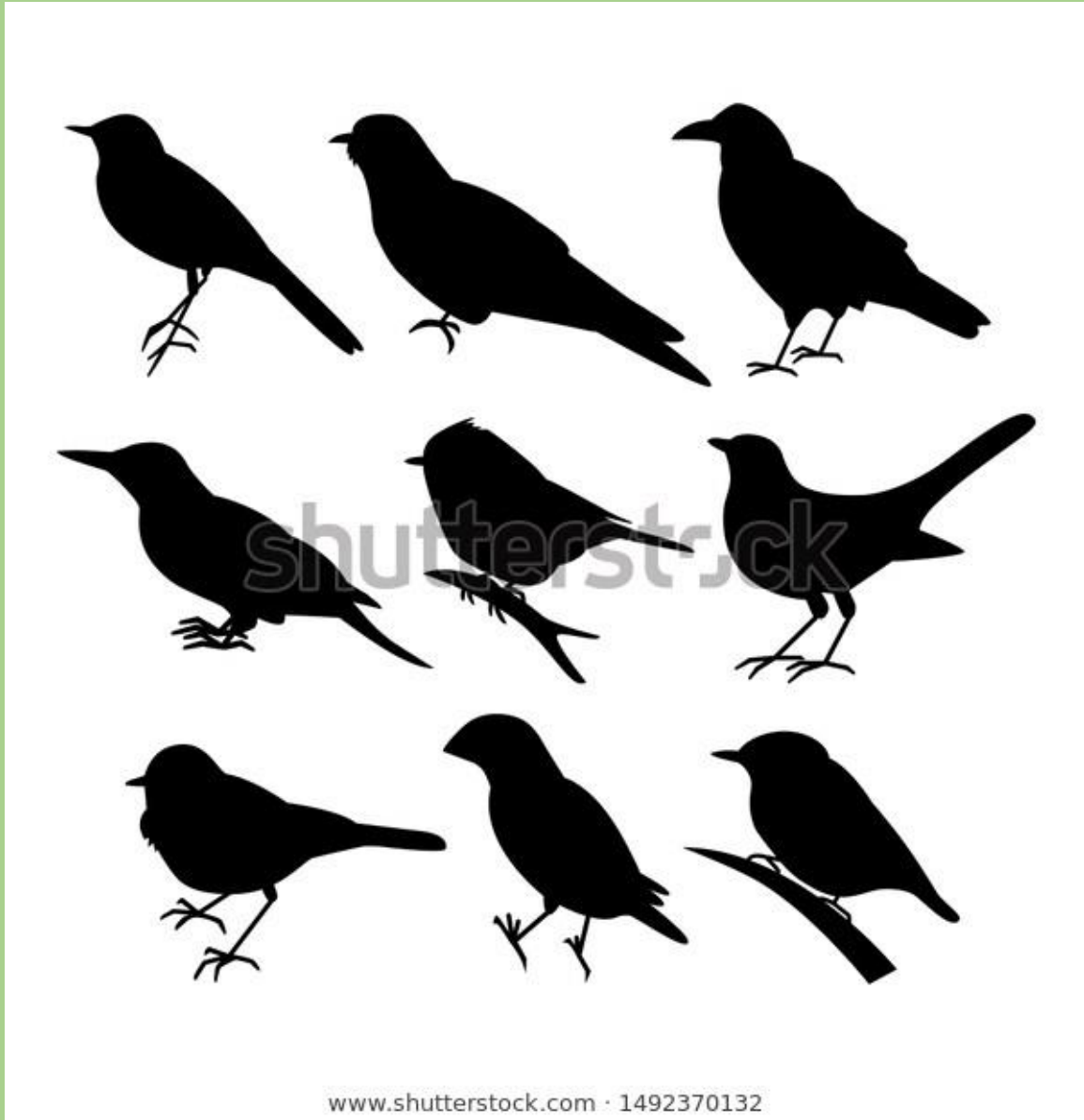


**What sounds
did they make?**

**Click on the link below. Where you
live, did you hear any of the bird
sounds found in this video ?**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mfFIdO-B8vE> (5 min)





One way to identify birds where you live is by becoming familiar with the silhouette of each bird.

What is the best silhouette match for each bird below?



Crow



Sparrow



Robin



Woodpecker

Another way to identify birds is by what their beaks and feet look like. Depending on where a bird lives and what it eats, it will have a certain kind of beak and feet.



We are very lucky to see lots of eagles in Deroche.

Look carefully at this picture.

How would you describe the eagle's beak and feet?

Why do you think the eagle's feet and beak are like this?

Click on the link below
to play a game
of matching beaks and feet
to different kinds of birds.

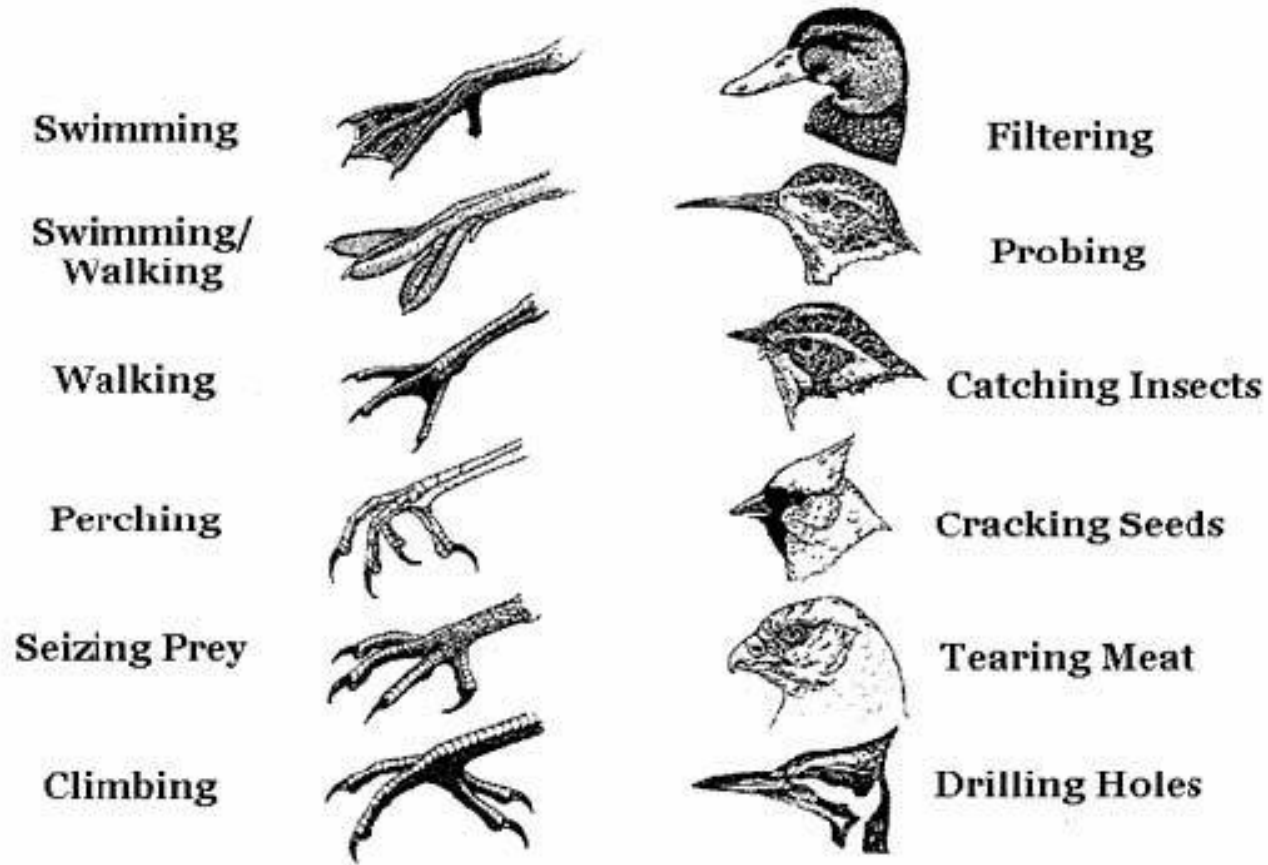
Who's Beak? Who's Feet?

<http://www.audubonadventures.org/beak-sandfeet/index.html>

With thanks, this picture is from: <https://www.pinterest.ca/pin/642607440567264031/>



Bird Beaks and Feet



What do you think the feet and beaks of different birds tell you about its **habitat** or where it lives?

Humans mimic bird sounds.

For example: I bet you can match each sound-word with the picture of the bird.

Quack

Caw-caw

Chick-a-dee-dee-dee



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/American_crow



<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chickadee>



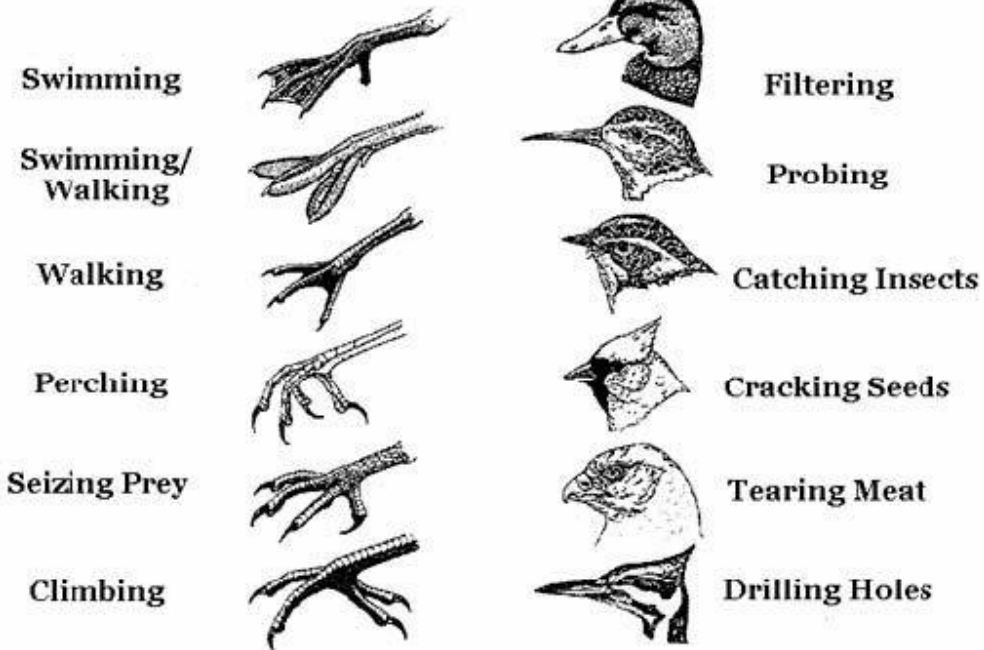
<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Duck>

Can you name each bird in the pictures?

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Bird Beaks and Feet



You can identify birds by their:

- beak and feet
- silhouettes
- bird songs and calls

What are some other ways you can identify birds you see in your yard and in your area?

Now it's your turn!

**Go outside and see what birds you can hear and see.
Do you notice what kind of beak or feet the bird you see has?
What else do you notice about the bird you see?**



When can you hear Song Sparrows in your back yard?

Can you mimic their songs?

What kind of beak and feet do they have?

How many do you see together at one time?

Can you find a Song Sparrow's nest?



Happy Bird Watching!

Please email Ms. T. if you want to:

Tell her about some birds you find.

Send her a picture of some birds you see.

Write her sounds you hear birds making.

She'd love to hear from you!

