

# Instructions for Information Cards – Birds (English)

This PDF is laid out as a grid. The grid lines should be used as a guide when cutting.

The following pages contain pictures of birds with the names underneath and information cards for the birds.

This material can be used in several ways and listed below are a few suggestions:

1. Print the named pictures twice, separate into individual cards and use as a simple matching exercise using just the pictures.
2. Have a magnifying glass with this resource and encourage the child to explore the pictures using it.
3. Print the named pictures but do not separate the birds into individual cards, use it instead as a bird spotter sheet and explore the garden to spot birds that are on the sheet.
4. Printed the named pictures of birds and the information cards and explore them with the child as if telling a story to the child. Asking the child what they see in the picture and adding more information by reading snippets from the information cards.
5. As the child's reading ability increases they can read the cards themselves and match them to the correct birds. Choose either to print the info cards with or without the inset picture of the bird.
6. Child can make his/her own book of birds by drawing or tracing the birds and colouring the birds to match the picture.
7. As the child's writing and reading abilities grow he/she can add information about the birds to the book.

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