

Lesson Introduction

Besides the animals that swim in the sea, God created the animals that fly in the sky. What are the animals fly in the sky? Birds fly in the sky but so do insects. God created all the animals that fly on the same day that he created all the life that is in the sea.

Discussion Questions

Day 1: What are birds?

Day 2: What do baby birds hatch from? How do baby birds eat? How do they learn to fly?

Day 3: What do feathers do for a bird? What are differences between feathers?

Day 4: Why are there different types of bird beaks? What do birds use their beaks for?

Day 5: Why are there different types of bird feet? What are some of the types of bird feet?

Day 6: What have people learned from studying birds? Why should we study God's creation? What can we learn from studying God's creation?

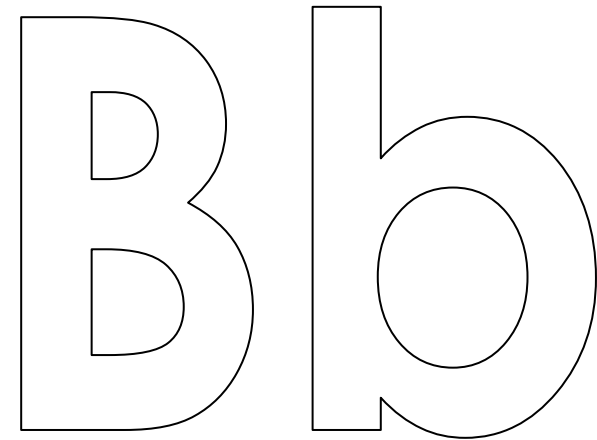
Lesson Rhyme

B—B	Make sign of "B"
Birds	Arms bent at elbows, Flap hands
Lay eggs	Make "E" with right hand
inside a nest	Put "E" inside cupped left hand
B—B—Birds	Same as above
Fly north, south, east, and west	Make sign for birds again and move in different directions



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What are birds like?



B—B—Birds

Lay eggs inside a nest

B—B—Birds

Fly north, south, east, and west

Day 1

Birds are animals with wings
that enable them to fly.
You can see them soaring
way up in the sky.
When God designed the birds,
he said that they were good.
Flying north, south, east and west,
in the way they should.

Draw a picture of a group of birds flying.

Day 6

And from studying how birds fly,
men learned principles of flight
So they could design planes
and make them fly just right.
If we study God's creation
we can learn a lot,
Understanding what he's done
to praise him as we ought.

Draw a picture of an airplane.

Genesis 1:20-21: ²⁰ And God said, "Let the water teem with living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the sky." ²¹ So God created the great creatures of the sea and every living and moving thing with which the water teems, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Job 39:26-27: ²⁶ "Does the hawk take flight by your wisdom and spread his wings toward the south? ²⁷ Does the eagle soar at your command and build his nest on high?"

Day 5

Depending on their purpose,
feet are different too.
Because for different uses
God designed them each to do.
Webbed feet work well in water
and in the mud don't stick.
Birds with talons capture prey
and with their feet are quick.
While others perch in branches
without a single care,
Some can hop upon their feet
to get from here to there.

Draw a picture of birds with different feet.

Day 2

Bird babies hatch from eggs
laid inside a nest.
At first they cannot fly,
but can only eat and rest.
Their parents bring them food
until their wings grow strong.
Then they're pushed out of the nest
so they will fly along.

Draw a picture of baby birds in a nest.

Jeremiah 8:7: ⁷ Even the stork in the sky knows her appointed seasons, and the dove, the swift and the thrush observe the time of their migration. But my people do not know the requirements of the LORD.

Psalms 84:3-4: ³ Even the sparrow has found a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may have her young— a place near your altar, O LORD Almighty, my King and my God. ⁴ Blessed are those who dwell in your house; they are ever praising you.

Day 3

Every bird has feathers
designed to help them fly.
They also keep their bodies warm
and in wet weather dry.
Feathers are of different types,
different colors too.
Some are soft, others strong,
depending what they do.
Flapping wings and flying
seems like lots of fun.
But there are birds stuck on the ground
that can only run.

Draw a picture of a bird that cannot fly.

Day 4

Every bird has a beak.
which come in different shapes.
Some use them for drilling holes,
others munch on grapes.
Still others use their beaks to dig
down into the sand.
Others snap up fish
and don't even have to land.

Draw a picture of different birds and beaks.

Job 39:13: ¹³ "The wings of the ostrich flap joyfully, but they cannot compare with the pinions and feathers of the stork.

Job 38:41: ⁴¹ Who provides food for the raven when its young cry out to God and wander about for lack of food?