

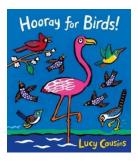
Books and eBooks:



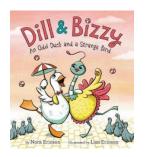
<u>Birds</u> by Lisa Amstutz (E 636.68 AMS): Birds make fun pets. Some are small and some are tall. Some are colorful. Discover why these feathered friends make amazing pets.



<u>Telephone</u> by Mac Burnett (<u>eBook</u>): In this picture book a string of birds on a telephone wire plays a game of telephone, with the usual mixed up results



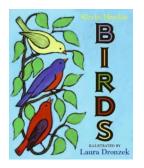
<u>Hooray for Birds</u> by Lucy Cousins (E COU): Birds of all feathers flock together in a colorful rhyming tale that invites children to imagine themselves as brilliantly plumed birds that make onomatopoeic sounds.



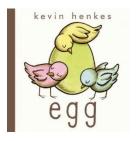
<u>Dill & Bizzy</u> by Nora Ericson (E ERI): When Bizzy, an admittedly strange bird, meets Dill, a self-professed ordinary duck, it is the start of a most unusual friendship.



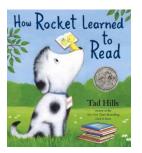
<u>Shh! We Have a Plan</u> by Chris Haughton (E HAU): Spotting an exquisite bird in a tree, three friends execute a series of stealthy plans to capture the bird only to have their efforts foiled, while their quiet, observant companion stretches out his hand to execute a plan of his own.



<u>Birds</u> by Kevin Henkes (E HEN): Fascinated by the colors, shapes, sounds, and movements of the many different birds she sees through her window, a little girl is happy to discover that she and they have something in common.



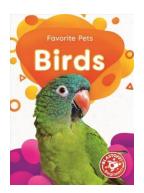
Egg by Kevin Henkes (E HEN): Three little birds crack their way out of eggs and fly away, leaving one egg sitting all alone until the three chicks come back and discover a friendly baby alligator has finally hatched.



<u>How Rocket Learned to Read</u> by Tad Hills (E HIL): A little yellow bird teaches Rocket the dog how to read by first introducing him to the "wondrous, mighty, gorgeous alphabet." Also available as eBook.



<u>George Flies South</u> by Simon James (E JAM): George does not feel ready to learn to fly, leave his nest, and go South with the other birds, despite his mother's encouragement, but when a strong autumn wind gets hold of the nest, he may have no choice.



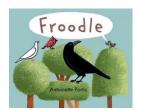
<u>Birds</u> by Christina Leaf (E 636.68 LEA): This book introduces beginning readers to pet birds through simple, predictable text and related photos.



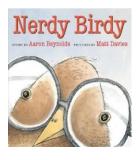
<u>Birds</u> by Victoria Munson (E 598 MUN): Find out about nature with these beautiful photographic introductions. Simple descriptions and fun facts help make it easy to identify common birds. Then get active and make the nature project at the back of the book.



<u>Birds</u> by Julie Murray (E 598 MUR): Birds covers what birds like to eat, what they look like, features and abilities, and where they live, as well as specific species like peacocks, cardinals, humming birds, and more.



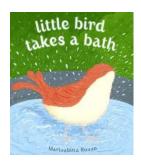
<u>Froodle</u> by Antoinette Portis (E POR): One day, amidst the usual chirps, tweets, and caws, a little brown bird decides to try singing a new song and sets off an interesting reaction.



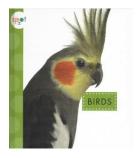
<u>Nerdy Birdy</u> by Aaron Reynolds (E REY): A picture book about a nerdy birdy who just wants to hang out with the cool birds. Also available as <u>eBook</u>.



<u>Bird Count</u> by Susan Edwards Richmond (E RIC): An excited young girl and her mother carefully participate in the Christmas Bird Count as part of a team of citizen scientists, tallying birds found in different habitats near their home.



<u>Little Bird Takes a Bath</u> by Marisabina Russo (E RUS): The only thing Little Bird likes about rain is the puddles it leaves behind, but after flying through Manhattan to find the perfect puddle, his bath is interrupted again and again.



<u>Birds</u> by Mari Schuh (E 636.68 SCH): This search-and-find book invites early readers to look for new vocabulary words and pictures while giving simple facts about caring for a pet bird and bird behaviors.



<u>Fly!</u> by Mark Teague (E TEA): Mama bird wants Baby bird to learn to fly so he can migrate with the rest of the flock, but Baby bird would rather go by hot air balloon or car, instead. Also available as <u>eBook</u>.



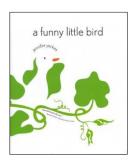
<u>Mama Built a Little Nest</u> by Jennifer Ward (E WAR): Illustrations and simple, rhyming text introduce different kinds of birds' nests, from the scrapes falcons build on high, craggy ledges to the underground nests burrowing owls dig. Includes brief facts about each kind of bird. Also available as eBook.



<u>Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus</u> by Mo Willems (E WIL): When the bus driver decides to take a break from driving, a wild and wacky pigeon pleads and begs to take his place, capturing the antics of a preschooler's temper tantrum. Also available as <u>Audiobook</u> and <u>Video</u>.



<u>The Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog</u> by Mo Willems (E WIL): Pigeon learns about sharing when a curious duckling keeps asking questions about the hot dog Pigeon has found. Also available as <u>Audiobook</u> and <u>Video</u>.



<u>A Funny Little Bird</u> by Jennifer Yerkes (E YER): A lonely, invisible bird adorns himself with brightly-colored feathers and flowers hoping to attract friends, but after catching the eye of a fox he runs so fast he loses his treasures and learns a lesson about friendship.



<u>Early Bird</u> by Toni Yuly (E YUL): Early Bird wakes up before the sun. She is hungry. What will she have for breakfast? With language that emphasizes action words, this is a fun story for morning, nighttime, any time.

Bird Rhymes:

Little Bird

I saw a little bird go hop, hop, hop (hop three times)
I told the little bird to stop, stop, stop (hold out hand for stop)
I went to the window to say "How do you do?" (handshake)
He wagged his little tail and away he flew! (shake tail and fly away)

Little Birds, Little Birds

Little birds, little birds, jump up and down.
Little birds, little birds, don't make a sound!
Little birds, little birds, tip-toe to me.
Little birds, little birds, bend your knees!
Little birds, little birds, peep, peep, peep.
Little birds, little birds, sleep, sleep, sleep.
Little birds, little birds, fly to the leaves!
Little birds, little birds, sit down, please.



<u>Five Little Birds</u> - Print and cut out the bird images below and use to count with the rhyme.

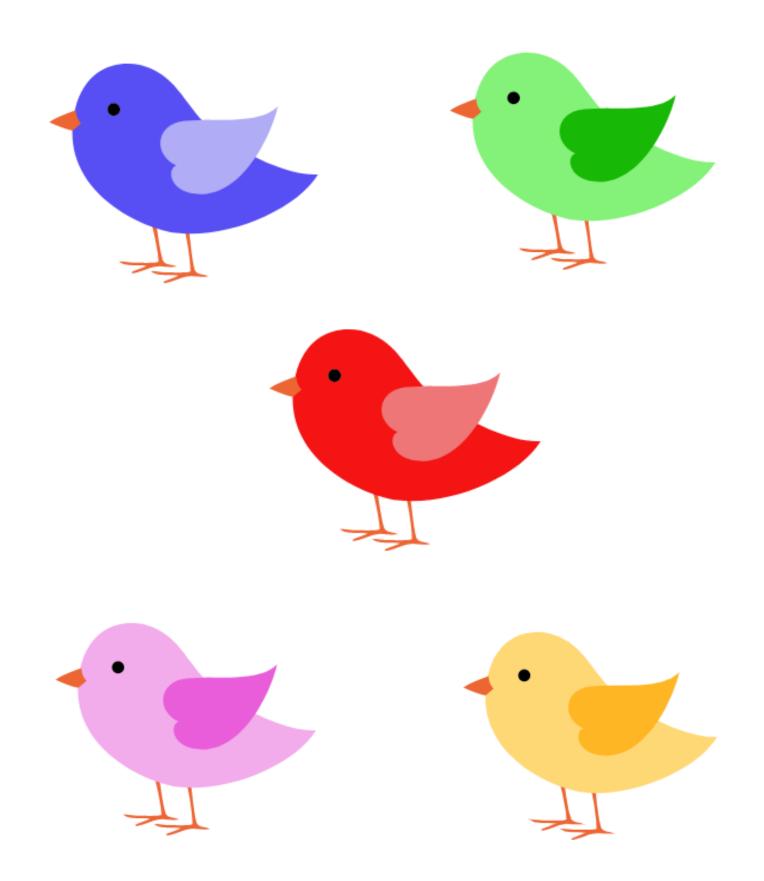
One little bird with feathers of blue, Flew beside the green one and then there were two.

Two little birds singing in the tree, The red one came to join them and then there were three.

Three little birds wishing there were more, Along came the pink bird and then there were four.

Four little birds happy to be alive, Found a yellow one and then there were five.

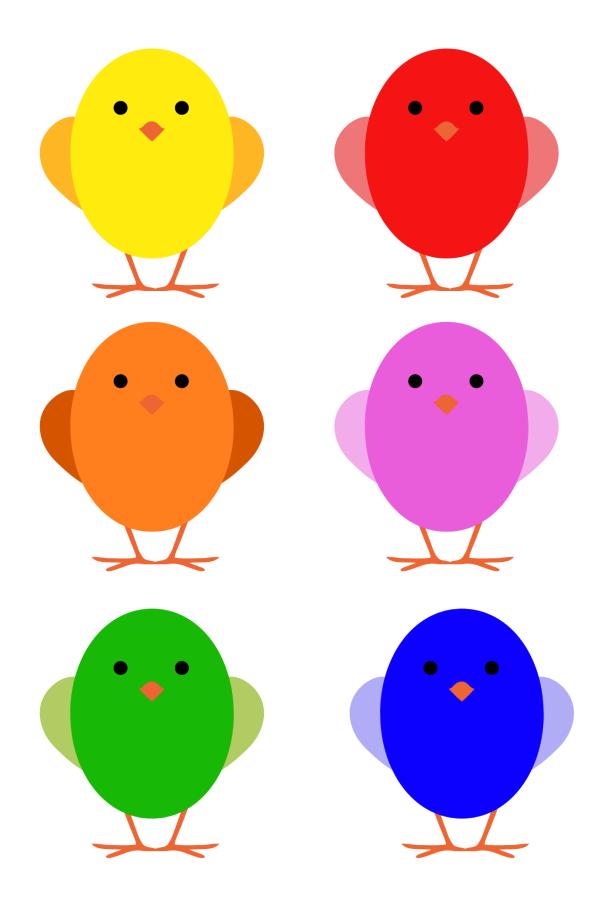
Five little birds happy as can be, singing beautiful songs just for you and me!



STEAM Activity - Birdhouse Color Matching:

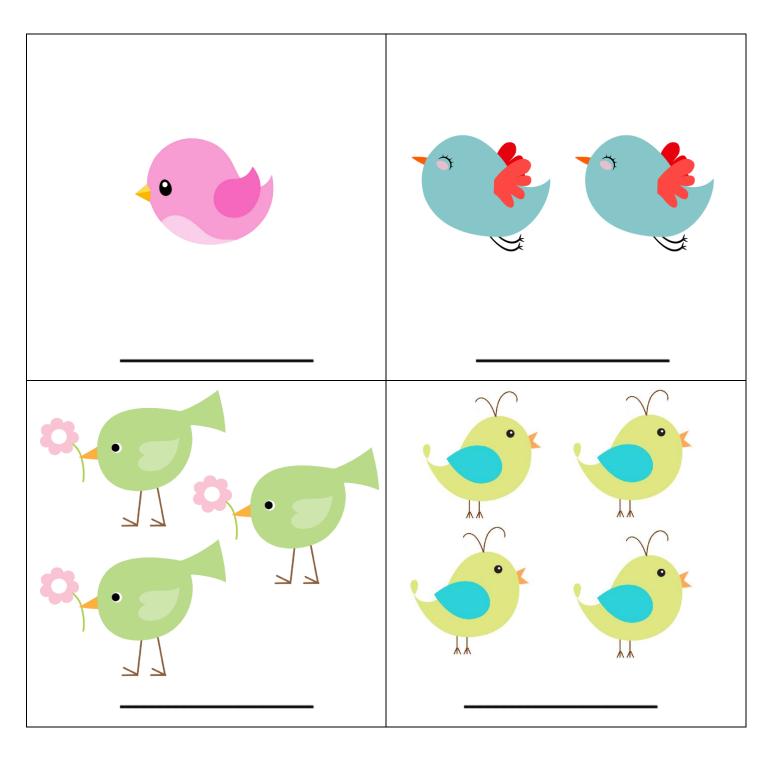
Help your child cut out the colorful birds on the next page. Have your child match the color of the bird to the color of the birdhouse.





Bird Counting:

Help your child count the birds and write the number on the line. The numbers are listed below for your child to copy.



1 2 3 4

Little Bird Coloring Sheet:

Have your child color the bird, branch, and flowers. You can also have your child trace the word "BIRD" for some writing practice!

