



NATURE DETECTIVES



Hello Nature Detectives - are you ready to explore?

Today, let's discover birds. Remember, wild birds are shy so try to be *very quiet*. Look closely with your eyes and listen hard to hear their sounds. Enjoy!

Birds:

Begin your detective work by figuring out where your adventure will take you.



Azalea Hill: many birds visit shady woodland habitats for food and shelter.



Pond Walk: some birds eat the plants and animals that live in an aquatic habitat.

You can tell that an animal is a bird because it has:

- Feathers! Also, wings, beaks and can lay eggs. Birds are warm-blooded vertebrates.

Bird Watching - **LOOK** and **LISTEN** for these birds that make their home at Jenkins:

- *American robins* (grey-brown with an orange belly and a black head)
Find a wooded spot to sit and listen for robins. Robins like the woods where they can find beetles, worms and berries to eat. Listen - you may hear them before you see them.
- *Red-wing blackbirds* (male is black with red and yellow stripes on its shoulders)
Find the tall grass and cattails which grow near the pond. Red-wing blackbirds often hangout here and eat the seeds and bugs nearby. Listen for their "conk-la-ree" call!

MOVE like a bird:



Use your legs to walk, run and hop



Flap your wings and try to fly!



Not all birds can fly.

Can you name a bird that doesn't fly?

Keep **LOOKING** and **LISTENING** for birds with the following colors, sounds and sizes:

Yellow	Grey	Brown	"Meow"	"Caw"	"Cheep"	small	BIG
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What was your favorite part about discovering birds today?



Find something cool? Share your detective skills with us: @JAGardens, #JenkinsArboretum