

# Ornithology - Day 1

1. What is the simplest way to describe what a bird is? What does that mean?

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2. What are some other characteristics of birds? \_\_\_\_\_

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3. What are characteristics of birds that make them so interesting to people?

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4. What are some practical reasons to study birds?

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- 2) \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_
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## Answers

1. A feathered biped, or an animal with feathers that walks on two legs
2. Answers may include being warm-blooded, having toothless beaks, hearts with four chambers, only living dinosaurs, etc
3. Birds are everywhere, birds come in all shapes and sizes, and they can fly.
4.
  - 1) Birds advance science
  - 2) Birds inspire engineering
  - 3) Birds serve ecosystems and us
  - 4) Birds are indicators of changes in natural systems