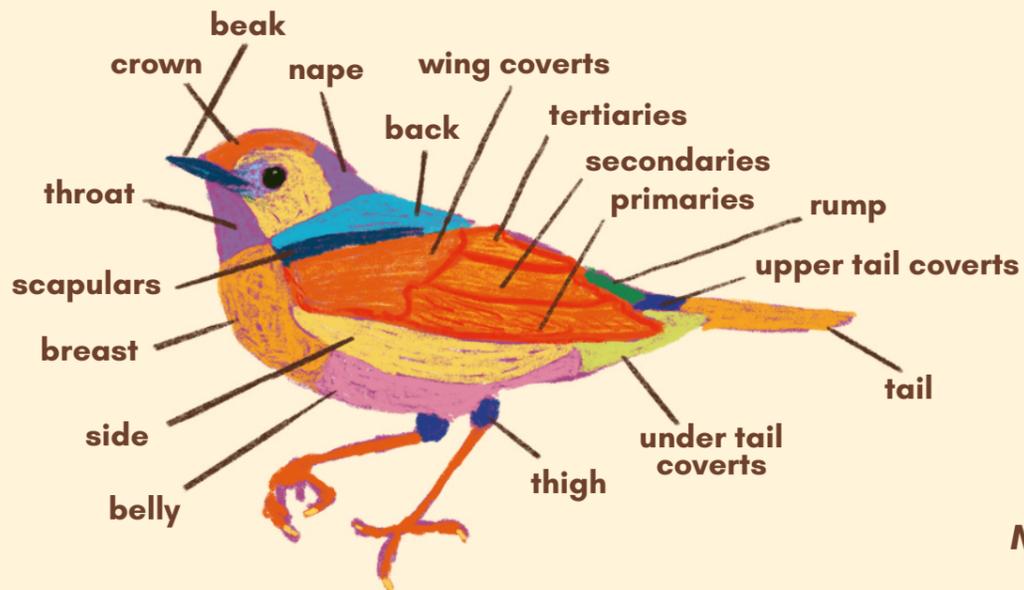


Common Bird Guide!

- 1 observe
- 2 notice patterns
- 3 identify



BLACK-CAPPED CHICKADEE

Usually snatches up one seed at a time and flies off to store in little caches for the winter.



BUSHTITS

Tiny birds that flock-up in the winter and come to your suet cake. Males have dark eyes while females have white eyes.



HOUSE FINCH

Male often has a reddish head and breast. Female has no red. Both are striped.



DARK-EYED JUNCO

Look for black head and white outer tail feathers.



GOLDEN-CROWNED SPARROW

Will often run rather than fly. Winter here. Head north to breed in summer.



PINE SISKIN

Notice the fine sharp beak. Often aggressive with each other. Call sounds like a zipper!



RUFOUS HUMMINGBIRD

Found feeding on nectar. Male has white breast and orange throat. Female more dark and green.



HOUSE SPARROW

Easily confused with finches and sparrows but less striped overall. A non-native species.



FOX SPARROW

No markings on face. Lower beak is yellow.

ENGLISH



AMERICAN ROBIN

Never eats from a bird feeder. Loves to dig in dead leaves.



DOWNY WOODPECKER

BC's smallest woodpecker. Only the male has red on its head.



AMERICAN GOLDFINCH

Male is bright yellow and black, female is much paler. They love thistle seeds.



NORTHERN FLICKER

Often feeds on ground, but also looks for bugs in tree bark.



VARIED THRUSH

Like a robin, but with black face mask and throat band.



STELLAR'S JAY

Loud, squawky cry. Loves peanuts.



RED-BREASTED NUTHATCH

Travels up and down tree trunks to hunt insects. Size of a chickadee with very short tail.



EUROPEAN STARLING

Real city folks, very sociable. They line up on telephone wires. A non-native species.



SPOTTED TOWHEE

Towhee and Fox Sparrow scratch the ground rather like chickens.



RED-WINGED BLACKBIRD

Male is black with red shoulder patch. Female is brownish and striped like a large sparrow.



AMERICAN CROW

Among the smartest of birds. Watch them drop acorns on the road for cars to crack.