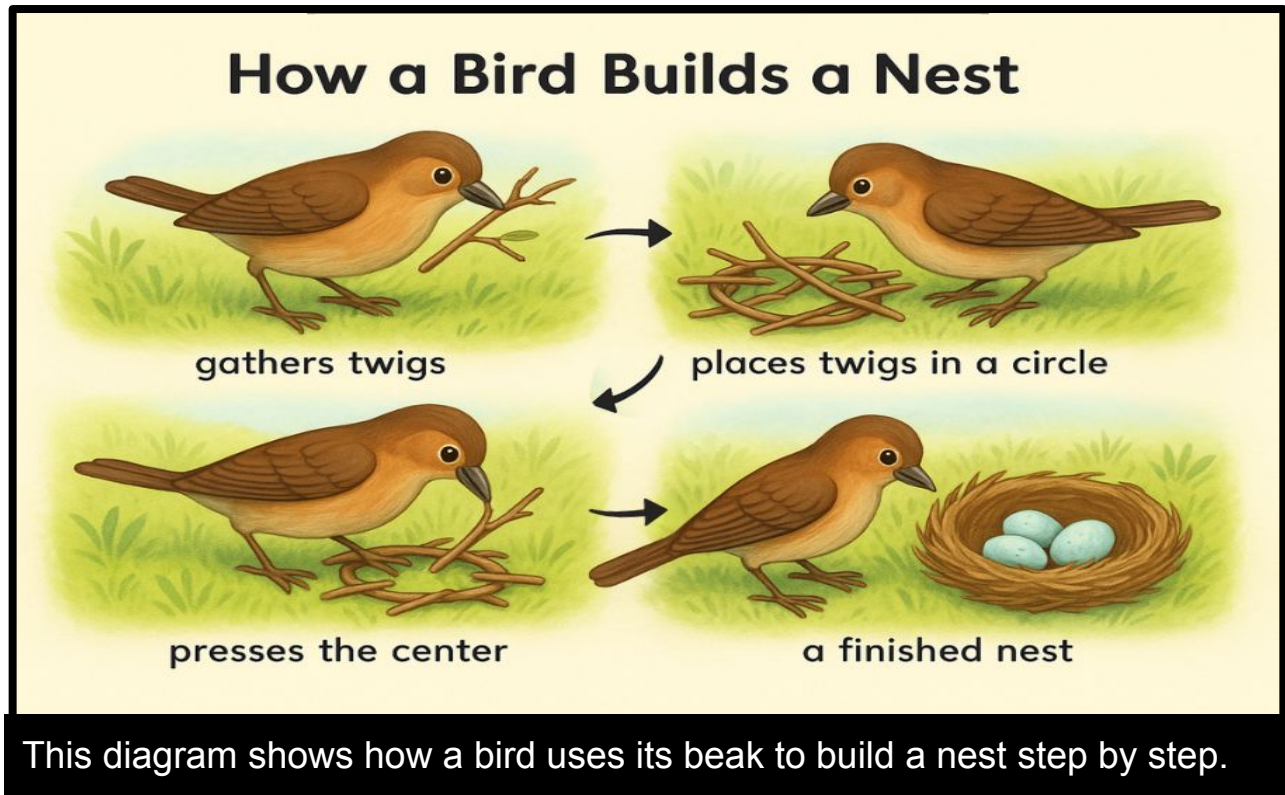


Reading Comprehension Worksheet: Using Images

Read the short story and answer each question.



How a Bird Builds a Nest

Birds build nests to keep their eggs safe and warm.

Most birds use their beaks to gather twigs, grass, and feathers. They look for soft things to line the inside.

Some birds build their nests in trees. Others nest on the ground or even in holes in walls!

The bird puts the materials in a circle shape. Then it presses the middle to make a little bowl.

After the nest is ready, the bird lays its eggs inside. The nest protects the eggs from wind and rain.

Name: _____

How a Bird Builds a Nest

1. Why do birds build nests?

- A. To eat their food
- B. To store water
- C. To keep their eggs safe and warm
- D. To sleep in the sky

2. How does the diagram help you understand the passage?

- A. It shows the steps a bird takes to build a nest
- B. It tells a story about a bird flying
- C. It shows what baby birds eat
- D. It shows a map of bird homes

3. Fill in the blank:

Birds use their _____ to collect twigs and grass for a nest.

4. What do you see in the diagram that helps you understand how a nest is made?

5. What materials do birds use, and how does the image help you remember them?



Parent and Teacher Guide

Guide Reading Level: J

Lexile Level: 290L-440L

Grade Level: 2nd Grade, Beginning of the Year

Genre: Informational

Introducing the Text

"Today we'll learn how birds build their nests. As we read the text and look at the diagram, we'll think about how pictures can help explain what the words are telling us. When we finish, we'll talk about how the image helps us understand the process better."

Vocabulary: nest, twigs, gather, beak, press

Before Reading Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever seen a bird's nest?
 2. What do you think birds use to build them?
 3. Why might a picture or diagram help us learn something new?
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During Reading Discussion Questions

1. What does the bird do first?
 2. Where does it find materials?
 3. How does the diagram help show what's happening in the text?
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After Reading Discussion Questions

1. Why is the image important in understanding this nonfiction passage?
 2. Could you explain how a nest is made without the picture? Why or why not?
 3. How do the arrows and labels in the diagram help you?
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Activity Idea

Have students draw their own simple diagram showing the steps a bird takes to build a nest. They label each step and write 1–2 sentences explaining how their picture helps someone else understand the process.

