



ADAPTATIONS LESSON PLAN #2: Birds

Birds have unique physical and behavioral adaptations that help them survive in their habitats. Use these features to create your own well-adapted bird!

Objective

To explore the ways different physical and behavioral adaptations help birds to survive in their habitats.

Materials

- *Spit Nests, Puke Power, and other Brilliant Bird Adaptations*
- Paper
- Colored pencils, markers, or crayons

Activity

1. Read *Spit Nests, Puke Power, and other Brilliant Bird Adaptations* aloud to students.
2. Discuss the various physical and behavioral adaptations of birds.
3. Students will create their own unique bird. Start by having them consider their bird's habitat, what it eats, whether it builds a nest, and how it defends itself.
4. Students must decide what physical and behavioral adaptations their bird needs to survive.
5. Students will draw a picture of their bird and its habitat.
6. Name the new birds!

Reflection Questions/Activities

- Compare and contrast different students' pictures. How are they the same? Different?
- Students can write a "research paper" about their bird; create a class museum or book.
- Students can write a story about their bird and its family.