

Exploring God's Creation

Breathtaking Birds





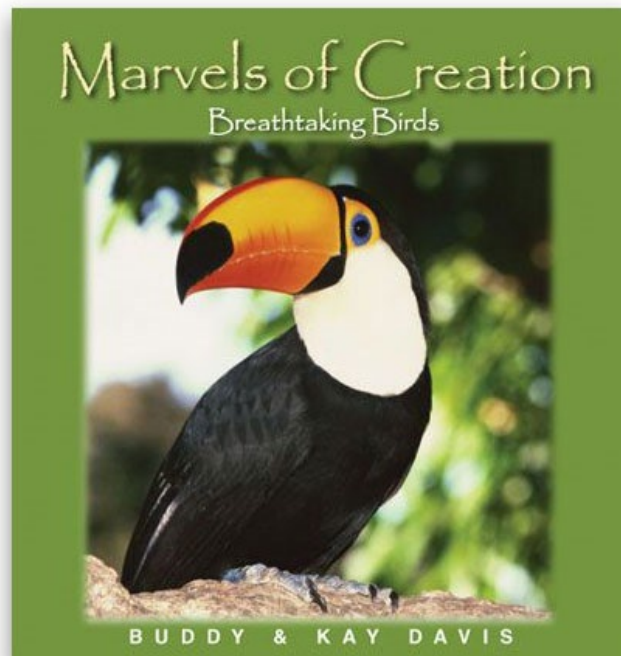
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Did You Know?

- The arctic tern migrates each year from the Arctic to the Antarctic - approximately 24,000 miles (38,400 km)!
- The roadrunner is the world's fastest-running bird which also has flight capability.
- The wild turkey can change the color of its head to white, purple, blue, or red depending on its mood.
- The bright pink color of a flamingo is directly affected by its diet.

What an incredible design these animals have! The Master Creator made such wonderful and beautiful animals for our enjoyment!

Children and adults both will delight in this illustrated guide to birds of the world. Filled with spectacular photographs and "bird brevities" - it is great for any home or school library.

"And God created every winged fowl after his kind: and God saw that it was good" (Genesis 1:21)

Recommended Nature Study Resources

Learn more about animals and their habitats with our open-and-go notebooks!

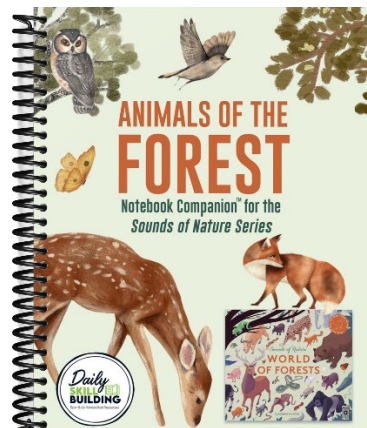
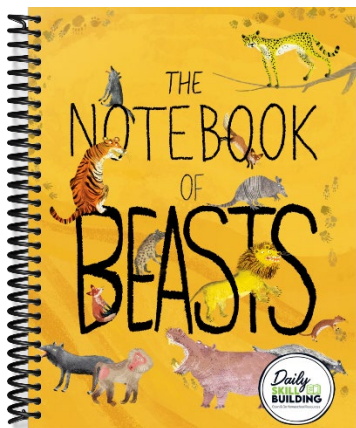
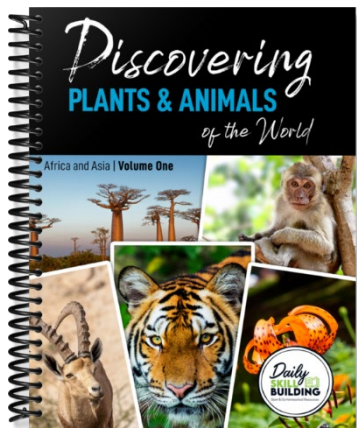
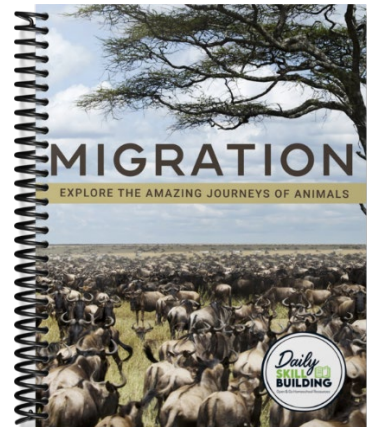
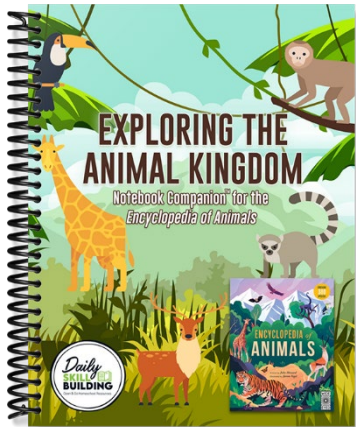
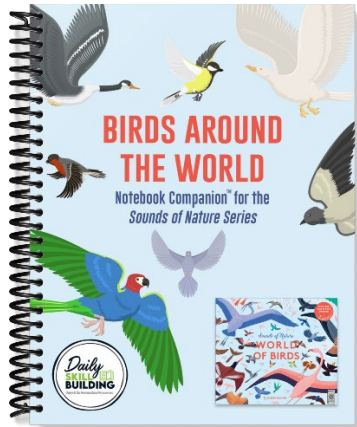
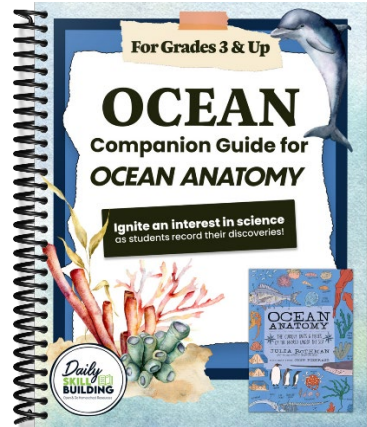
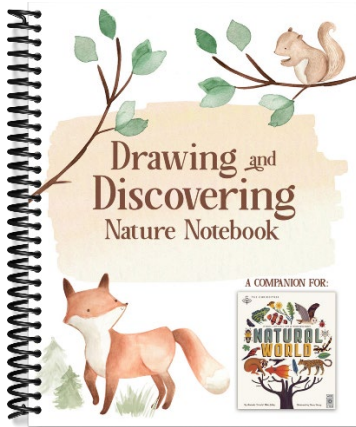
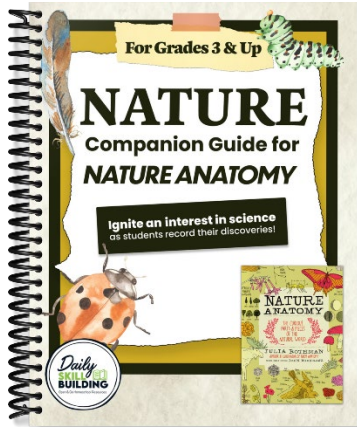


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INTRODUCTION

Read pages 7-9 in the *Breathtaking Birds* book and answer the questions with the information you learn.

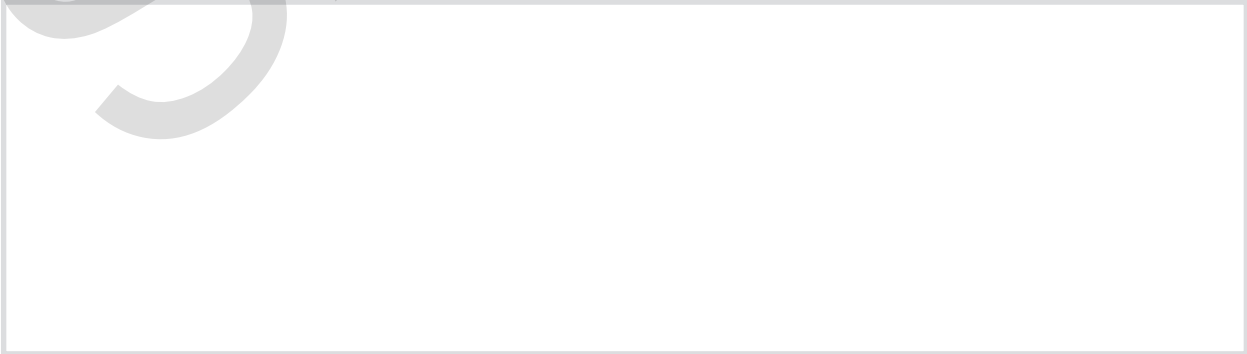
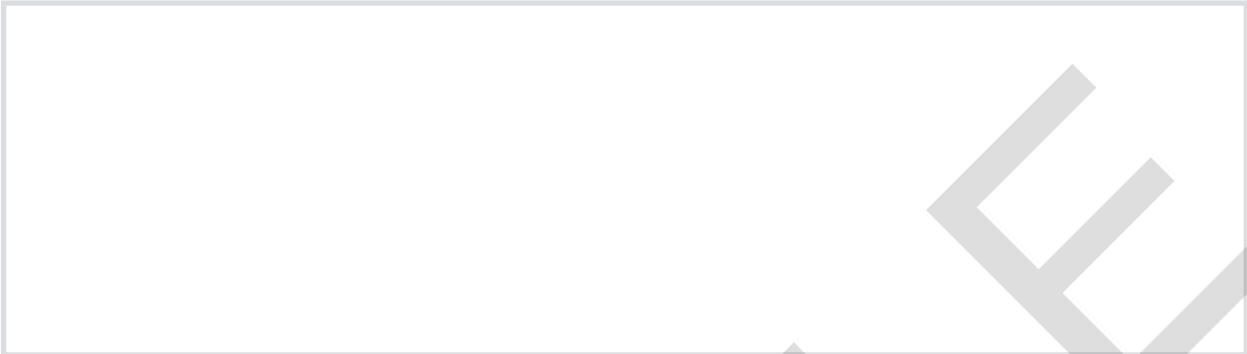
What class of animals has been studied most often? Why?

What is microevolution?

What is macroevolution?

Why is the fossil record a problem for evolutionists?
Give an example.

Draw and label four different types of bird beaks.
Use the images on page 78 and any additional resources you need.



SAMPLE

Introduction: Bonus Projects

Choose one or more of these projects to further your knowledge about what you just read.

Vocabulary

Fill in the definitions for the applicable words in this section on the bonus projects page.

- paleontologist
- ornithologist

Writing Prompt

Birds are a spectacular creation. This is why many people spend so much time studying them. What are some things that you think make birds so amazing? Do you have a favorite bird? Write about your personal opinion of birds.

Research Prompt

Some evolutionists use Archaeopteryx as proof of one kind evolving into another. Research to find out facts about this ancient bird. Do you think this bird is an example of one kind evolving into another? Summarize your findings and explain what your view is on this topic.

BROWN PELICAN

Read page 19 in the *Breathtaking Birds* book and write what you learn about each topic.

Habitat

Feathers

Beak

Diet

Air Pockets

Mating

Behavior

Nest

Chicks

Enemies

Species

Life Span

Explain how the pelican's large pouch helps it to catch food. Draw a picture of it catching food.



Brown Pelican: Bonus Projects

Choose one or more of these projects to further your knowledge about what you just read.

Vocabulary

Fill in the definitions for the applicable words in this section on the bonus projects page.

- aquatic
- freshwater
- pesticides

Writing Prompt

The brown pelican is famous for its large pouch. What are some features that people attribute to you and why? It can be a physical quality, talent or personality trait. Write about the features attributed to you and provide an explanation for each one.

Research Prompt

Pesticides affect the brown pelican in harmful ways. Investigate to find out how pesticides affect the animals and environment around you. What are some things you can do to prevent harm to the world around you? Write a report to inform others of what you have learned and the positive changes that can be made to protect our world.

Bird Report

Conduct research to learn more about the brown pelican. Complete the bird report and write a research paper to document what you learn.

COMMON RAVEN

Read page 27 in the *Breathtaking Birds* book and fill in the answers with the information you learn.

Explain the presence of ravens throughout history.

Write one fact about a raven in each box.

Describe the habitat of a common raven and draw a picture of it.

Describe

Draw

Why are ravens and other crows considered to be intelligent?

Common Raven: Bonus Projects

Choose one or more of these projects to further your knowledge about what you just read.

Vocabulary

Fill in the definitions for the applicable words in this section on the bonus projects page.

- songbird
- emulate

Writing Prompt

Ravens can be tamed and kept as pets. Would you like to have a raven as a pet? Why or why not?

Research Prompt

Both male and female ravens partake in building a nest where eggs will be laid and incubated. Write an essay about the raven's nest. What objects are used to build the nest? How do the birds construct the nest? Find a picture of a raven's nest or draw your own to include with your essay.

Bird Report

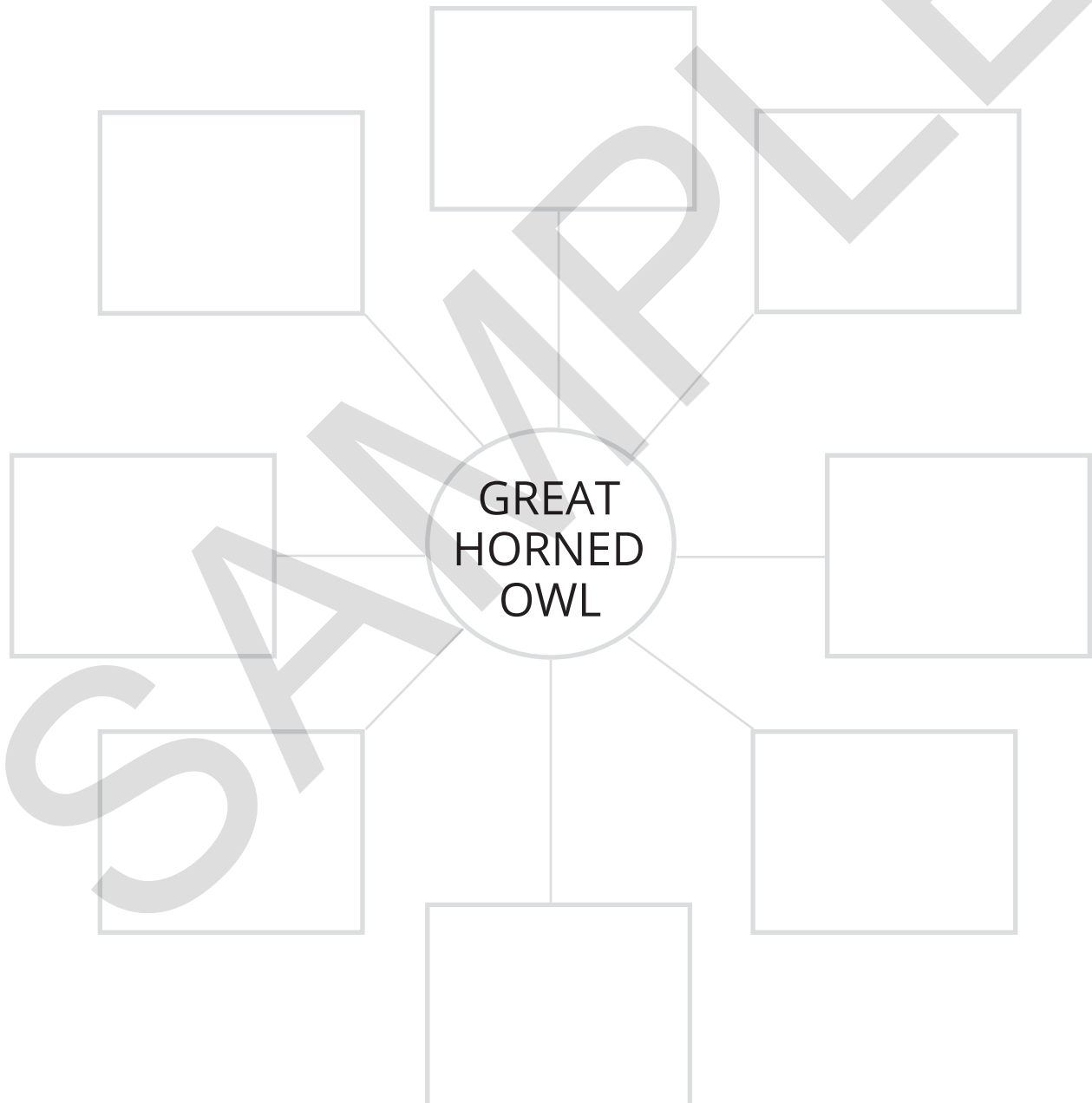
Conduct research to learn more about the common raven. Complete the bird report and write a research paper to document what you learn.

GREAT HORNED OWL

Read page 39 in the *Breathtaking Birds* book and fill in the answers with the information you learn.

Where does the great horned owl live?

Fill in the boxes with facts about the great horned owl.



SULFUR-CRESTED COCKATOO

Read page 61 in the *Breathtaking Birds* book and fill in the answers with the information you learn.

Describe the physical appearance of the sulfur-crested cockatoo.

Where did its name come from?

List five things this bird eats.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Explain the daily routine of a cockatoo.

What type of environment does this bird live in?

VOCABULARY

rookery _____

petrel _____

tidal flats _____

sandbars _____

serrated _____

thermal heat _____

protozoa _____

Writing Prompt

SAMPLE

Bird Report

Bird Name _____

Height _____ Weight _____

Lifespan _____

Diet _____

Herbivore Carnivore Omnivore

Habitat _____

Where does it live?

Continent _____

Country _____

Offspring _____

Predators _____

Offense/Defense _____

Interesting Facts _____

Picture



Taxonomy

Order

Family

Species

Description