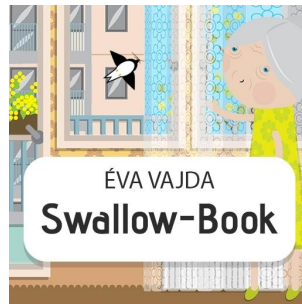




CLASS



Swallow-Book

BOOKR Class Activity Tips

Run time: 4 minutes

Topic: migration of birds

Writer: Éva Vajda

Grammar Structures: past simple, can, past perfect, gerunds and infinitives, comparatives

Illustration: Nagy Diána

Narration: Caroline Boulton

Focus of the games: vocabulary, language accuracy, grammar, map

Ages: 12-15

Language level: Pre-Intermediate

Description: Nora and her Grandmother are excited to welcome a swallow couple in their balcony. This book describes how swallows build their nests and how a migratory bird's life looks like in spring and summer.

Activity Tips

Bird observation sheet

#project #vocabulary

Ask the learners to create a bird observation sheet. What kinds of birds do they see in their environment? Ask them to create a list and to mark the regularity as well.

Resident or migratory birds?

#project #vocabulary #cognitive skills

Ask the learners to collect names and pictures of migratory and resident birds that they know. Ask them to do a little research and gather some more. Ask the learners to use the worksheet below and group the pictures/birds.

Why do the birds migrate? How do resident birds survive in winter?

Which bird is it?

#language skills

Ask the learners to create a short description of a chosen bird, but don't reveal the name. After sharing the description with the group, the others' task is to find out which bird it is.

Bird dictionary

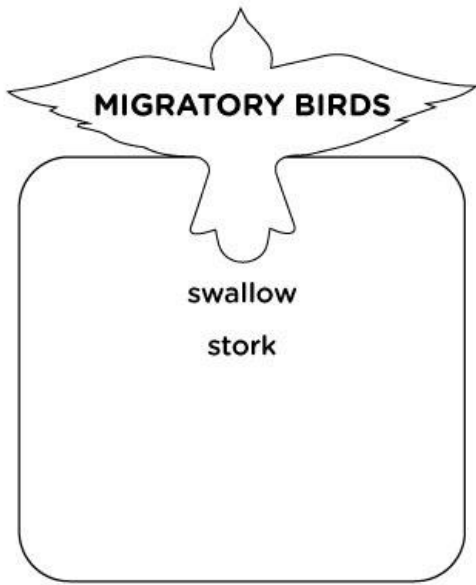
#vocabulary #language skills

Ask the learners to collect the bird-related vocabulary from the book. They can create a bird thesaurus or a bird dictionary. Words to collect: to circle in flocks, a nest, to hatch, a nestling, to flap their wings, a fledgling.

Nests

#language skills #personal skills

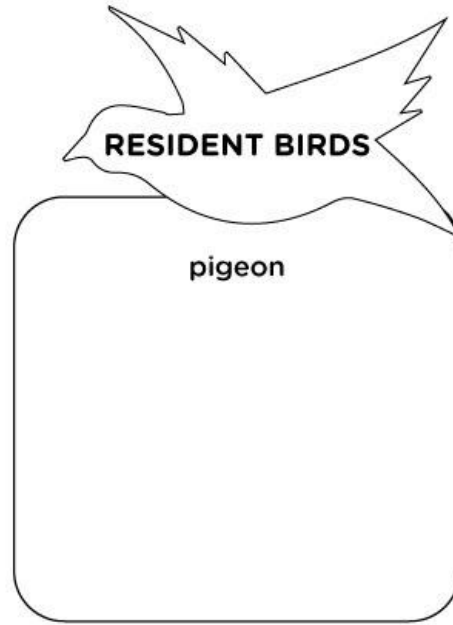
How do swallows build their nests? Make notes from the book and write a report about the process. If the learners feel like they can act it out as well by holding a 'microphone' and creating a short video about it. Then, they can share it with the group.



MIGRATORY BIRDS

swallow
stork

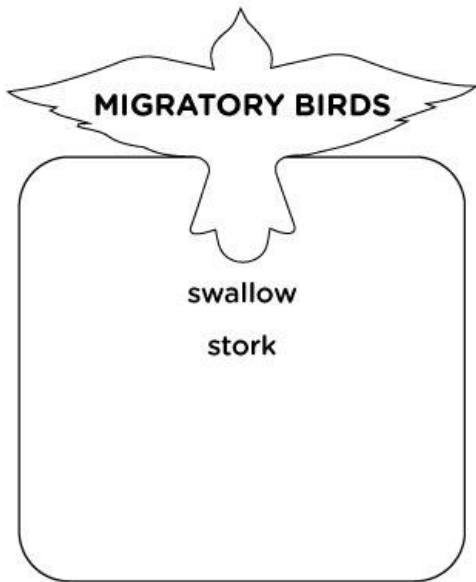
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pigeon

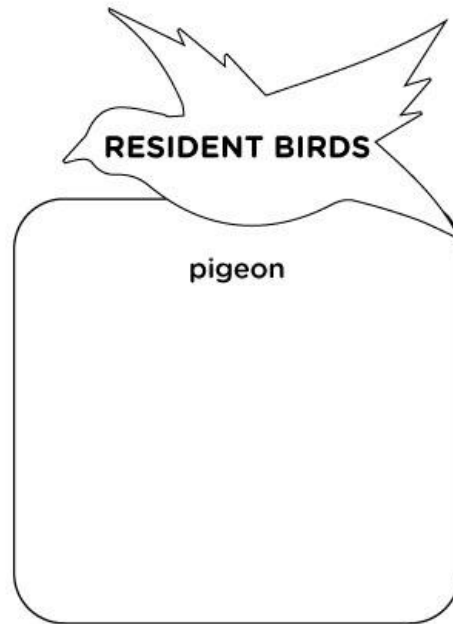
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