

Read & Seed –Birds

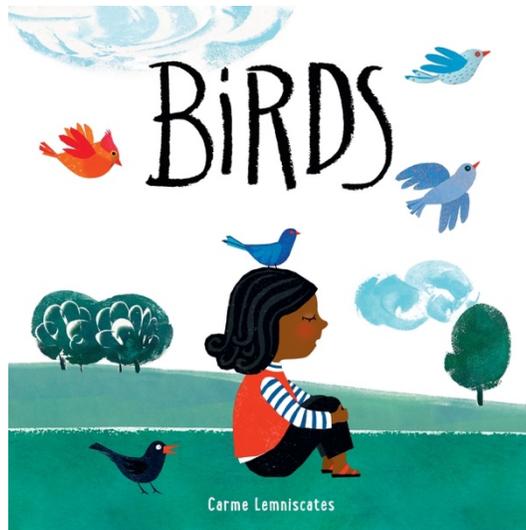
Description: This Read & Seed lesson will explore the similarities and differences between us, our friends, and birds! We will read *Birds* by Carme Lemniscates, create our own bird, and participate in a bird dance. This lesson is aimed at connecting young learners to their natural world and promote school readiness skills.

Time: 45 minutes

Materials:

- Coffee filter or paper plate
- Googly eye
- Colored cardstock or construction paper
- Craft feathers
- Markers
- Glue

Book: *Birds* by Carme Lemniscates



Movement/Music/Finger Play: Bird Dance

Open and close your hands like a bird beak

Flap your arms like little wings

Shake your tail

Clap 4 times

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Instructions:

1. Fold the coffee filter or paper plate in half.
2. Color the plate or filter with markers.
3. Use the colored construction paper to cut out several small strips of paper about two inches long and a small triangle. These will be used to form the tail feathers and the beak.
4. Once the pieces of paper are cut, glue them plate or coffee filter. With the rounded part of the plate/filter facing toward you, attach the beak on the right where the plate starts to curve and the strips of paper to the upper left corner.
5. Finally, glue on the feathers and a googly eye to the front.

Nature Connection: Take a walk outside and see how many different species of birds you can find. In what ways are the birds you find the same? How are they different? Remember to listen for birds too!

