Try It Out

Let’s build a bird’s nest. Go outside and collect natural materials to use for your nest. Collect soil and add water to make mud to hold your nest together. Design and build a bird nest with the materials you collected. Let your nest dry outside. When dry, pick up your nest. Did your nest fall apart? What could you do to make your nest more secure? What materials worked well? Which materials did not work well? Keep your nest, you will need it for next week’s activity.

Materials: Dirt, leaves, sticks, water, grass

Extension: Using construction paper and markers, create a bird to put in your nest. The bird should have a head, beak, eyes, body, wings, tail, legs and feet. A different extension is to create another nest out of man-made materials found in your home.

You Could Be...

You could be an ornithologist! Ornithologists study birds. John James Audubon was an ornithologist that discovered a new species and created a book with pictures of over 700 North American bird species.