Teachable Moments
2nd Grade

The Ralph W. Schreiber Hall of Birds

In the Schreiber Hall of Birds students will be immersed in habitats while exploring a bounty of bird biology. From flight mechanics to anatomy and behavior, your students will walk away ornithologists in the making!

Learn more at: www.nhm.org/explore-exhibits/permanent-exhibits/birds

Science

- Gather students around the display called “Different Feet for Different Fowl.”

- Play the matching game, having students guess which kinds of feet are needed in which environment.

Language Arts

- Gather students in front of the display “A Home Away From Home.”

- Discuss migration patterns with students, asking them “what might be some reasons birds migrate?” “What is the effect of migration?”

Math

- In the section of the exhibit with many mounted specimens and drawers, prior to crossing the Marsh, choose one bird to act as the “standard unit” to compare to other birds.

- Ask students to compare other birds in the exhibit with the “standard unit.” How do other birds compare? Are they taller, shorter, narrower, or wider?