

Beautiful Birds

Reading Comprehension

Hummingbirds

There is a tiny bird that never stops flying? Have you seen one before? Have you seen how fast it flaps its wings? Do you know its name?

This bird is called a hummingbird. It is one of the smallest birds in the world. It is very short, but it has a long bill to help it drink the juice from flowers. This juice is called nectar.

Hummingbirds can also catch insects with their sticky tongues. They are always looking for flowers because flying makes them very hungry.

Hummingbirds can live in forests, parks, deserts, and in the mountains. They will build nests for their babies anywhere they can find a safe and quiet spot. The mother will bring back food for the babies to eat.

If you ever see a bird that is tiny and flying very fast, it just might be a hummingbird!

Story Questions:

- 1. *Quickly* means...
 - a. hard.
 - b. slow.
 - c. fast.
 - d. soft.
- 2. Hummingbirds live...
 - a. in forests, deserts, and mountains.
 - b. in oceans.



At-Home Resources

- c. in shoe boxes.
- d. in flowers.
- 3. The juice in a flower is called...
 - a. jello.
 - b. nectar.
 - c. sugar.
 - d. syrup.

Letter Writing

4. **Write** a letter to a friend telling them about a hummingbird that you saw in your garden. Include facts from the passage above to help them understand more about hummingbirds.

Math Worksheet

5. Practise subtracting 2-digit numbers with regrouping.

Word Problems

- 6. **Read** the word problems below and **write** the answers.
 - ★ Hank Hummingbird was working on a 300-piece puzzle in his nest. He put 175 of the pieces together before getting hungry. How many pieces does Hank have left?
 - ★ Hannah Hummingbird was trying to fill her gumball machine. She bought a box that had 400 gumballs in it. When she went to empty the box into the machine, 129 gumballs fell into the nest. How many gumballs made it into the machine?

Fun Stuff!

7. **Create** a mixed medium hummingbird using this <u>template</u>.