

Peregrine Falcon Finger Puppet

What would it be like to fly like a falcon?

INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1 Color the peregrine falcon.
- 2 Using scissors, cut out the puppet.
- 3 Fold the tabs down and connect the tabs together with tape: tab A to tab A and tab B to tab B.
- 4 Fold the wings up into a flight position.
- 5 Fit the puppet on your finger and make your falcon swoop and dive. **Have fun!**





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Make your own Peregrine Falcon **STAMP!**

Peregrine falcons have a unique silhouette or body shape when in flight. Falcons have a long, narrow pointed wing shape compared to the round wing shape of hawks. Their bodies are bullet shaped with a narrow shaped tail and they generally have a steady flapping wingbeat during flight.





INSTRUCTIONS:

You will need one common household sponge.

- 1 Carefully cut out the falcon image above.
- 2 Place your cut out falcon on top of the sponge and trace the outline.
- 3 Carefully cut along the line.
- 4 Use with your favorite water-based paint to make your own school book covers, gift wrapping paper, decorations or name tags.

Let your imagination go wild with ideas!

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How to Become a Birder

Do you love animals, especially birds? WONDERFUL!!

This activity will help you learn how to identify different types or **species** of birds by knowing what to call different parts of the body. Once you know what the body part is called, that will help you identify the correct bird in your bird guide.





Welcome to My Neighborhood

Your neighborhood is your **habitat**. Remember, your habitat is a place where you live and it has **food**, **water**, **space** and **shelter**.

Write down some animals that you can think of that live in YOUR habitat.

Think of an animal that lives in your habitat.

Write the name in the box.

Why do you think this animal is able to live in your habitat? List some of the reasons.

Think of an animal that does **NOT** live in your habitat. Write the name in the box.

Why do you think this animal is NOT able to live in your habitat?

List some of the reasons.



- Peregrine falcons live in a variety of habitats such as tundra, desert mountains, open valleys near cliffs and in cities with tall buildings near water. Often you may see them along ocean coastlines and wetlands. Peregrine falcons do not live in deep, thick woods or tropical rain forests.
- Peregrine falcons primarily eat other birds, such as pigeons, waterfowl and songbirds. Sometimes they even eat bats!
- Peregrines will use a cave or ledge on a cliff, under a bridge, or a tall building as a safe place to live.
- · Like all animals, peregrine falcons need clean water.

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Poetry, falcon style!

Poetry is a wonderful way to share information and thoughts, especially about things that are special to you. Poetry can make you laugh or make you cry. It allows you to use your imagination and dream! Poetry helps you express your feelings. You can share the poetry you write with others or keep it to yourself. There are many types of poetry – and it doesn't need to rhyme. You can set poetry to music and create a song. Poetry is as unique as each person!

DIAMANTE POEMS

Diamante poems consist of seven lines that use specific parts of speech arranged in a diamond shape as shown on the right. Your poem can be an antonym or synonym diamante. In synonym poems, the nouns at the beginning and end are two words that mean basically the same thing. In an antonym poem, the nouns in lines 1 and 7 are opposites (i.e. sun and moon). Words used in lines 2 and 3 of the poem should describe the noun in line 1 as well as the first two words in line 4. The last two words in line 4 and the words used in lines 5 and 6 should relate to the last noun of your poem.

Hawk
Fast, Intense
Soaring, Hunting, Screeching
Talons, Brown, Eyes, Wise
Waiting, Sleeping, Hooting
Soft, Quiet
Owl

HAIKU POEMS

Haiku is a Japanese style of poetry that has only three lines and often focuses on the wonder of nature. Haiku uses a pattern of five syllables for the first line, seven syllables for the second line and five syllables for the third line. The poems often use simple yet powerful words that convey the poet's emotions. One of the most famous Haiku poems is by Matsuo Basho, "The Old Pond." **"THE OLD POND"**

An old silent pond A frog jumps into the pond — Splash! Silence again.



Haiku Poem

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