

Believe it or not, red-tailed hawks are a part of the natural world in New York City. You might see one in your own neighborhood!

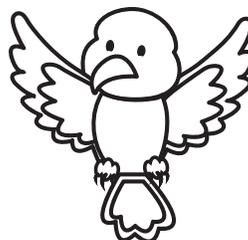
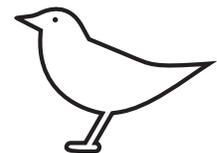
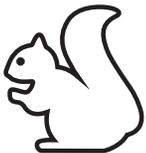
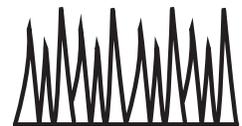
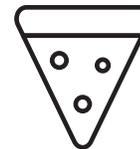
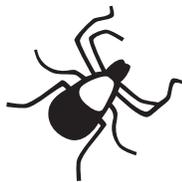
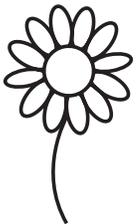
Did you know?

- Red-tailed hawks love to hunt for small birds, small mammals, and rodents.
- Eating rodents that have been poisoned can make a red-tailed hawk sick. Use snap traps rather than poison to control rodents.
- A red-tailed hawk gets its name from the reddish-brown color of an adult's tail feathers.
- Red-tailed hawks are the most common hawk found in North America.
- If you see a red-tailed hawk, don't get too close. They have sharp talons and beaks which they use for hunting.



FOOD CHAIN CONNECTION MATCHING

A food chain is a connection between animals, showing who eats who. **Connect each animal to its food to create a food chain. Remember that some animals will eat more than one item. Red-tailed hawks are top predators and have no natural enemies, so they will be the last animal in each chain.**



WORD SEARCH

Find the hidden words.

WORD BANK

Prey

Talons

Predator

Feather

Nest

Soaring

Carnivore

Beak

Raptor

Perch

D C W B A U V M C H K B S U C L N Z J P
P W G K R N B P E R C H X R B X L I M K
Q L R N A E C Y X Y H I H A N K M P A J
F S R G C S S D Q R C G V P O M O X Y T
X K T H W T B J L L P S G T N P N Z C X
X E B E R R G L P U S T F O Q Y E H U Z
M E A E F O B L F N S O A R I N G Y Q K
B F D Q C V K X G W D X Z L Y H L E H V
W Y Z F H M M T D X H E R O V I N R A C
F Y R F Q A F F J Z G B O F V H N T S M
U F Y F P Z L O E T N E B V Z K L N R E
R Y F E F R Z H R K T A V J O W O D R J
V Y L B R F E Q V E A K Q N O U U P B D
A U N B R P Q D C O H Y Y V K T X M G X
R A I T W M J Q A P T T S E Q V S J C P
R X J V T N Y E H T W N A L B O Y W D B
P Y C M Z W R D K X O Q L E E Z H X K H
H I O M G Z R Y P L T R X H F H H O J W
M Y V D S N H D A P U P W Q P V O J R D
O R U I H H Y T A O O Q B K N Q G A F G

FREE DRAW

Red-tailed hawks build nests out of twigs and sticks. In New York City, hawk nests have been found in large trees and on buildings.

Imagine you are a hawk. Decide if you want to nest in a tree or on a building. Draw your nest and write why you chose that location.

