

Year 1 Topic Flight Week beginning 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020

Lesson

LO: To be able to predict, design and test an experiment using a range of material types and sizes.

Can we make our own nest?

This week you are going to have a go at building your own bird's nest!

If you can't do this, you could make a nest in your house out of bedding and blankets.



## Build a Bird's Nest

Try building a bird's nest and discover how hard wild birds have to work in spring!

**1. Collect materials to build a bird's nest from your garden, school playground or a park.**

- Dry grass** (Image of a pile of dry grass)
- Dry leaves** (Image of several dry leaves)
- Twigs** (Image of a bundle of dry twigs)
- Feathers** (Image of several white and brown feathers)
- Moss** (Image of a clump of green moss)
- Paper and cupboard rubbish** (Image of a small nest made of paper and cardboard)
- Garden soil and water to make mud** (Image of a shovel with soil)

**Old newspaper** (Image of a folded newspaper)

**A bag for collecting material** (Image of a blue plastic bag)

Remember! You can only use materials that you find in the wild. Birds can't go to a shop to buy the building materials they need.



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2. Place sheets of newspaper on a table. Lay out all your nesting materials.
3. Begin by making a framework for the nest. Weave twigs together to make a bowl shape.



4. Use moss, dry grass, leaves, feathers and pieces of paper or card to pad out the inside of the nest.
5. If you wish, make some mud by mixing soil and water. Smear the mud onto the nest. When the mud dries, it will act like glue to hold the other nest materials together.

6. Wash your hands with warm water and soap after making your nest.



Ask an adult to help you place the nest in a tree or bush outdoors – just like a real bird's nest!

