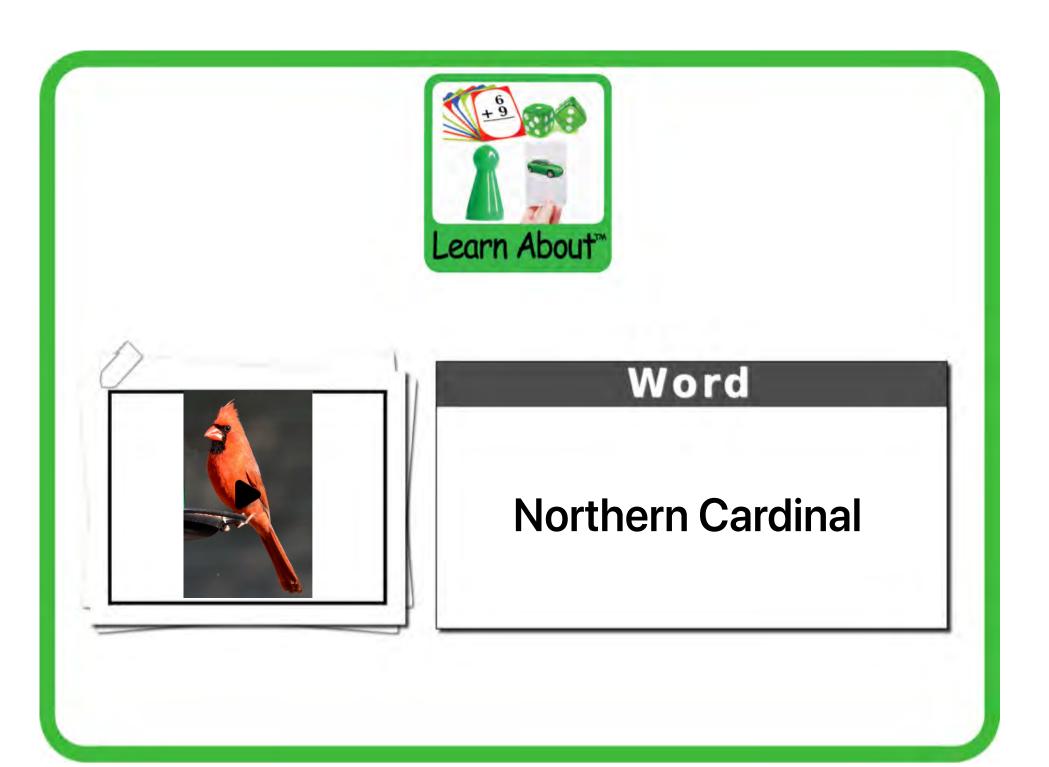




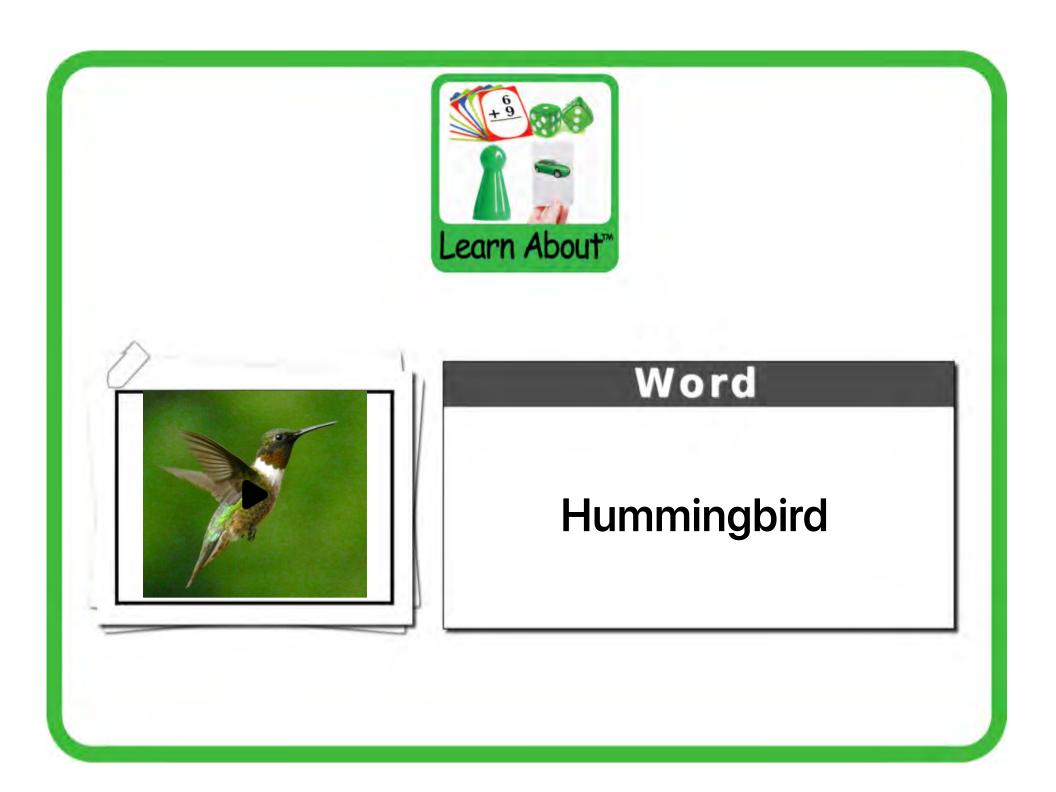


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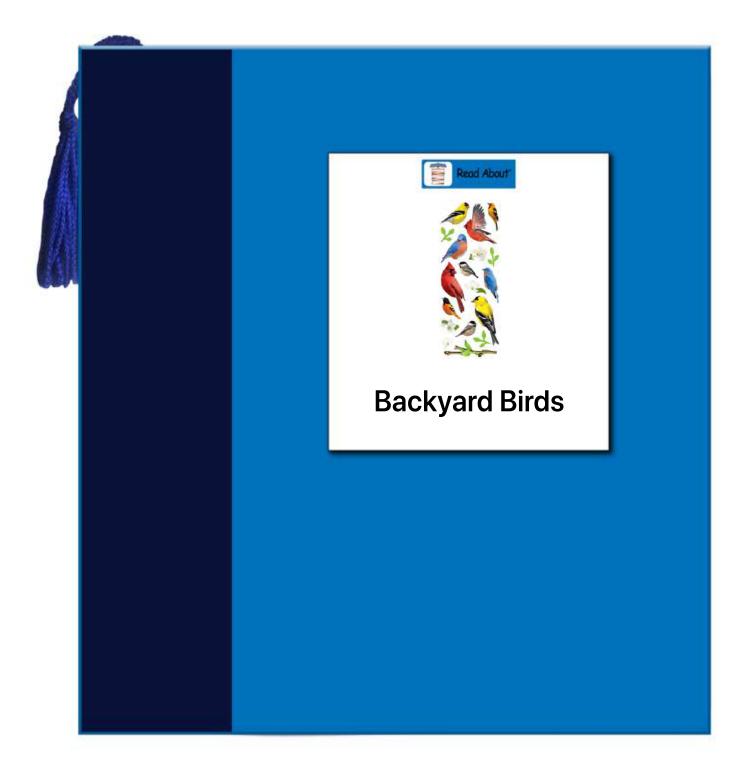


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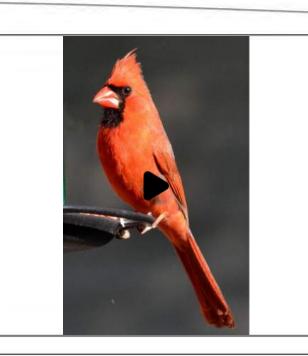






The American Robin is a redbreasted, charcoal gray bird with a yellow beak. They are large songbirds with a large round body, long legs, and long tail. A robin eats mostly berries, worms, and insects. American Robins are a sign of spring.





The Northern Cardinal is a medium-sized songbird. The male is bright red and the female is light brown and gray. It has a long tail and a pointed crest of feathers on the top of its head. A cardinal eats weeds, sunflower seeds, grains, fruits, and insects. The Northern Cardinal loves to sing and has 28 different songs.



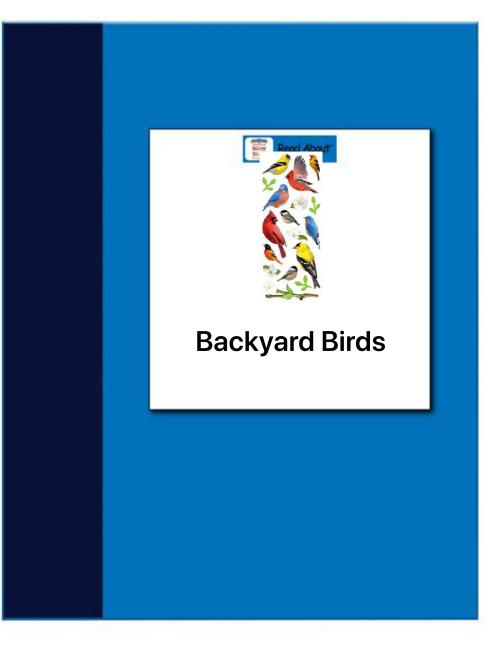


A hummingbird is the smallest bird and can be green, red, purple, or blue. The hummingbird gets its name because of the humming sound its wings make. A hummingbird uses its tongue to suck nectar out of flowers and also eats bugs. A hummingbird can fly sideways, backwards, up and down, and even hover in midair.





The American Goldfinch is a small bird with a short beak and notched tail. The male is bright yellow with black wings and the female is duller in color. A goldfinch is a seedeater and especially loves thistle. Goldfinches like to sing and are easy to find.



Backyard Birds



~Introduction~

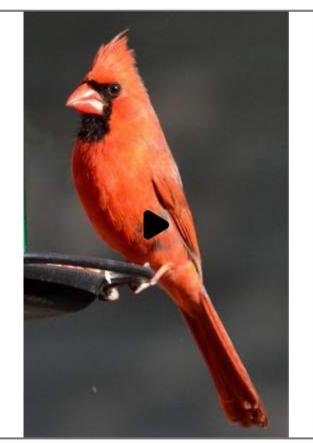
Birds are small animals that have wings and feathers. There are many different kinds of birds. They are all different sizes. This book is about four birds that we might see in our backyard.

American Robin



The American Robin is a redbreasted, charcoal gray bird with a yellow beak. They are large songbirds with a large round body, long legs, and long tail. Robins live in gardens, parks, fields, yards, pastures, woodlands, and pine forests. They usually return to the same area to nest each year. A robin eats mostly berries, worms, and insects. They cock their heads from side to side to search for worms. American Robins are a sign of spring.

Northern Cardinal



The Northern Cardinal is a medium-sized songbird. It has a long tail and a pointed crest of feathers on the top of its head. The male cardinals are bright red and the female cardinals are light brown and gray. Northern cardinals live in swamps, gardens, and woods. A cardinal eats weeds, sunflower seeds, grains, fruits, and insects. Cardinals are helpful, friendly, and beautiful birds. The Northern Cardinal loves to sing and has 28 different songs.

Hummingbird



A hummingbird is the smallest bird and can be green, red, purple, or blue. The hummingbird gets its name because of the humming sound its wings make. Sometimes, its wings move so quickly that you see nothing but a blur. Hummingbirds use a lot of energy. They live in wooded areas, meadows, and grasslands that have lots of flowers. A hummingbird uses its tongue to suck nectar out of flowers and also eats bugs. This bird does not sing, but makes chirping sounds. A hummingbird can fly sideways, backwards, up and down, and even hover in midair.

American Goldfinch



The American Goldfinch is a small bird with a short beak and notched tail. In the spring and summer, the male is bright yellow with black wings and the females are duller in color. Goldfinches are found everywhere. They live in cities and towns, rural areas, and woods. A goldfinch is a seedeater and especially loves thistle. Goldfinches like to sing and are easy to find.

Backyard Birds



~Summary~

This book was about four birds: the American Robin, the Northern Cardinal, the Hummingbird, and the American Goldfinch. These birds are all very different and can be found in our backyard.

