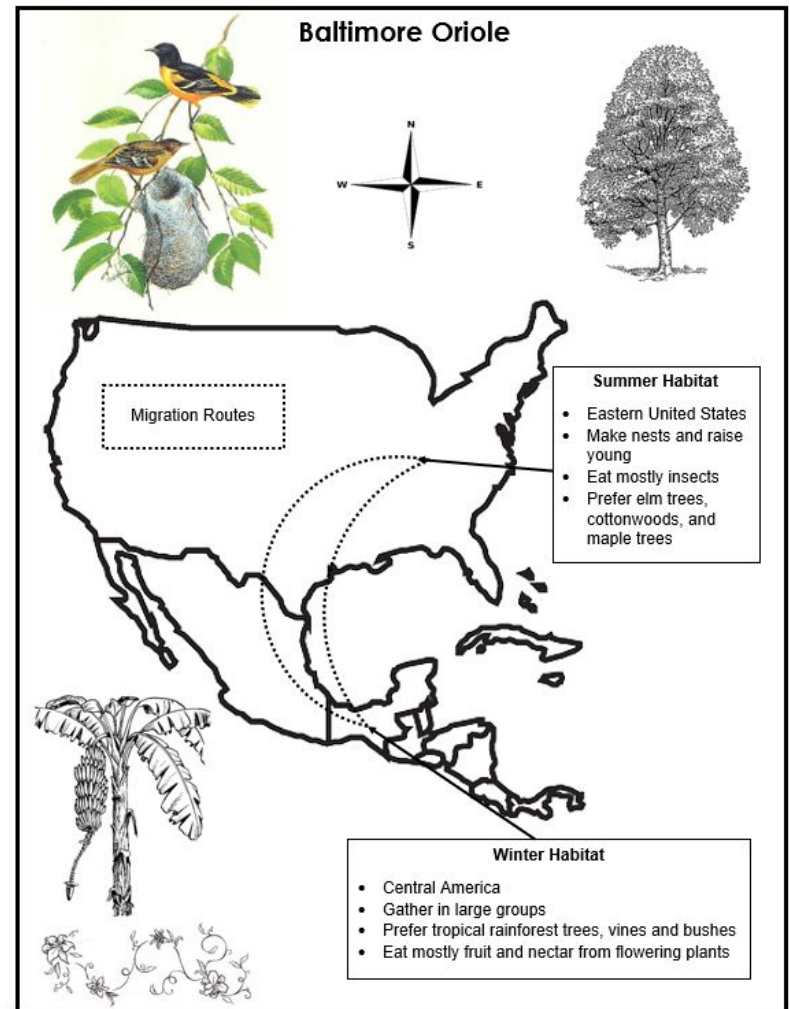


Second grade students learned about the migration of the Baltimore Orioles. Students demonstrated how some animals travel long distances to change habitats when the seasons change.





Baltimore Oriole Habitat Migration Game Instructions

Creating the Game

Materials Needed

- scissors, glue or tape, crayons, markers or colored pencils
- file folder or large piece of cardboard, poster board or construction paper (1 per student)
- printed migration game parts

Instructions

1. Write your name on the back of your game board.
2. Cut out labels and decorations for your board.
3. Before gluing, arrange labels and decorations on the board:
 - At the top: title banner
 - Near the top: summer habitat, nesting birds, elm tree
 - Near the bottom: winter habitat, banana tree and flowering vine.
 - Place compass rose anywhere with N pointing to the top
 - Put the placeholder for cards anywhere
 - Place extra birds anywhere
4. Glue down pieces.
5. Draw a trail from one habitat to the other with 25-30 spaces.
6. Color 10-20 spaces on the trail a special color. A player who lands on a colored space will draw a card.
7. Cut out game cards, write numbers in the blanks (1, 2, or 3), mix them up and place them face down on the space provided.
8. Color and decorate the board as time permits.

Playing the Game (for 2 or more players)

Materials Needed

- game board and game cards
- placeholders (e.g. pennies or counters)
- number cube

Instructions

1. Choose the starting place for all players (winter or summer habitat) and all put placeholders there.
2. Take turns rolling the number cube and moving ahead on the "migration route."
3. If you land on a colored space, take a card and follow the instructions. CHOOSE ONLY ONE CARD PER TURN, even if you land on another colored space.
4. The first player to reach the other habitat wins.

Second grade students used information to create a board game that shows the difference between the winter and summer habitats and how the orioles use each habitat. When the games was played, students learned about things that are helpful and not helpful to orioles during migration.



Student created games boards are kept in 2nd grade exploration centers. Students play the game during center rotations to reinforce concepts learned about migration.