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Lesson Plan

Bird Brainstorming

Lesson Plan for *Birds*

Grade 1

Objective

To help students practice expressing their thoughts in a group brainstorm about pets.

Things Needed

- *Birds* book
- Whiteboard
- Access to the “Birds” web page on the Pop! website:
<https://popbooksonline.com/pets/birds>

Before the Activity

Open the “Birds” web page in your internet browser and pull up the “Learn More” tab.

Activity

Read *Birds* out loud to students. Then look at the image and read the caption on the web page. The caption is about zebra finches. These birds do not like to be touched, but “people like having them as pets because they are fun to watch and listen to.”

As a class, brainstorm the answers to the following questions. Write students’ answers on the whiteboard:

- What other pets might owners watch instead of hold? (Possible Answers: fish, turtles, horses)
- What do people do with these pets instead? (Possible Answers: People look at them. People listen to the sounds they make. In the case of horses, people ride them.)

Evaluation

Were students able to articulate their thoughts about why people have pets? Were they able to speak slowly and clearly?



Standards

This lesson plan may be used to address the Common Core State Standards' reading standards for informational texts, grade 1 (RI 1.1), and speaking and listening standards, grade 1 (SL 1.1).



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