

## Pacific Maritime and Mountain Area

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### Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)

#### CLUES:

- 1) I definitely like to be near water of any kind.
- 2) I am found practically everywhere in Southern Canada.
- 3) My strong talons can grab and carry prey while I fly.
- 4) My huge, yellow, hooked beak can rip apart fish and mammals.
- 5) My large nest of sticks is usually found in tall treetops.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT I use the same nest year after year?**



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### Rufous Hummingbird (*Selasphorus rufus*)

#### CLUES:

- 1) I go just about anywhere where there are flowers.
- 2) I only live in Western Canada.
- 3) I double my weight to fuel my migration to central Mexico.
- 4) My long, needle-like bill is made for sipping nectar.
- 5) My cup-shaped nest is made of plant down, moss, and lichen and is held together by cobwebs.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT I weigh about as much as a penny?**



### Steller's Jay (*Cyanocitta stelleri*)

#### CLUES:

- 1) My favourite hang-outs are in conifer and pine-oak forests.
- 2) I live only in and on the west side of the Rocky Mountains.
- 3) My feathers are black or iridescent blue.
- 4) My strong beak hides extra nuts and seeds in tree cracks as my winter food supply.
- 5) One of my favourite nesting trees is the Douglas fir.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT I am British Columbia's provincial bird?**

### American Robin (*Turdus migratorius*)

#### CLUES:

- 1) I can live in the country, the suburbs, or even cities.
- 2) You can find me just about anywhere in Southern Canada.
- 3) Everyone is excited to see my red breast in early spring.
- 4) You can often spot me pulling fat worms from the earth.
- 5) I lay four plain blue eggs in a nest of mud, grass, and twigs.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT my numbers have actually increased in the last two centuries?**



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### Red-breasted Nuthatch (*Sitta canadensis*)

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#### CLUES:

- 1) I usually migrate but sometimes hang around all winter.
- 2) I range throughout the Boreal forest and beyond.
- 3) My sharp claws help me creep around upside down on trees.
- 4) My slender bill probes for insects in nooks and crannies of tree bark.
- 5) I excavate a cavity in a tree in which to build my nest.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT I am called "the upside-down bird" in Newfoundland?**



### Killdeer (*Charadrius vociferus*)

#### CLUES:

- 1) Look for me in open pastures, on golf courses, or along the edges of ponds and lakes.
- 2) I'm classified as a shorebird, but I often range far from water.
- 3) I have longish legs so I can run swiftly.
- 4) To lure predators away from my nest, I pretend to have a broken wing.
- 5) My nest is a hollow on the ground, sometimes lined with pebbles.

**DID YOU KNOW THAT I can leave the nest as soon as I hatch and feed myself within a day?**

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