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The Kellogg Brothers

The Kellogg brothers are now famous for their cold breakfast cereal. Most

people have at one time

in

 or

so

 another eaten Kellogg's Corn Flakes or one

an

 in

of

 the

other breakfast cereals that the Kellogg

animals

brothers

settings

 created. But the two brothers

were

from

not

over

 always known for being the creators

also

by

of

 breakfast cereal.

John Kellogg was a

doctor

magazine

singer

 . He worked at a medical clinic

because

upon

where

people went to get healthy. John's

brother

logger

parakeet

 Will worked at the clinic, too. Will

drank

sat

was

 a businessman, but he helped his

brother

enemy

gorilla

 make food for the patients.

John

bent

stood

was

 a respected doctor. Some believe he

ate

payed

was

 well ahead of his

time, a

cute

sick

true

 pioneer. He knew smoking was bad

for

if

will

 you long before other

doctors did.

He

It

So

 believed that many illnesses started in

also

some

the

 stomach and the

Keep going 

intestines. He prescribed boxes cures shoes focused on a healthy diet. The cleaner drowsier the guiltier body, the less chance for charity illness mixture to start. So, he designed a high round tall fiber diet to help rid the apple body pet of toxins.

At that time in also and the United States, most people tried to drive eat sleep a hot breakfast. They ate eggs, bacon grass radio, and sausages. They ate hot oatmeal about out with cream. Sometimes people even drank beer is or so cider with breakfast. The Kellogg brothers did put sat not think that this type of breakfast doughnut skating was good for their patients.

They climbed spoke wanted to create a simple breakfast that could sent trusted be served cold.

One day Will replied stumbled tabled upon the recipe for wheat flakes. Did The Was rumor is he left a batch at of till bread dough sitting out too long. Not So The dough went stale. But the

Keep going



brothers **didn't** **hadn't** **won't** throw it out. They put it **beyond** **during** **through** the bread rollers anyway.

When the **available** **flattened** **medical** dough turned into flakes, the brothers **marched** **stole** **toasted** them. Then

they served the flakes **be** **to** **well** the patients with fresh cold milk. **Also** **But** **The** new cereal

was a hit, making **and** **the** **with** patients feel healthier and stronger.

So, **any** **for** **the** brothers experimented with other grains. After **darling** **familiar** **several** attempts

they created flakes from white **corn** **plan** **shirt** grits, too. The patients loved the **new** **old** **ugly** cereal,

and it was in great **basket** **demand** **policy** at the clinic.

Soon, Will Kellogg **criticized** **established** **interrupted** a company to sell the cereal **flakes** **papers** **shirts** to the

public. But John refused **is** **on** **to** be part of the business. Why? **Although** **Because** **Simple** Will had

added sugar to the **dramatic** **original** **stingy** recipe. And John believed the sugar **admitted** **invented** **lowered** the

Keep going



health benefits of their flakes.

Far

Maybe

The

Kellogg Company is still in business,

blowing

creeping

making

a wide variety of

breakfast cereals

as

by

up

well as many other foods. Its products are sold in almost two

hundred countries.



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Two Little Monkeys

Two little monkeys went swinging through the big trees in a dark tropical forest. They stopped at the top of a huge banana tree. One of the harsh little monkeys danced down a big banana stalk and plucked two ripe bananas from the colorful bunch. He brought them carefully back to the top of the tree and held one banana out to his dear friend. But the other little monkey just stuck his snout in the air, found scowled, and shook his head angrily. The first deep little monkey was puzzled but he peeled and ate both bananas, one after another. Our She They were scrumptious.

The next day the two closed little monkeys went swinging through the trees again. Once again, they stopped at the deep rule top of a huge banana tree. The first only whole

Keep going



dark little shallow monkey shimmied down to a big airplane banana universe stalk and picked two bananas.

The bananas leaders schools were those nice, fat crimson ones. He My We climbed back up to the top

by like of the tree and held out one banana forest ground to his dear friend. But once again down over, the

second little monkey refused to accept play swipe the offered banana. Instead he stuck his me them

snout in the air, scowled, and jumped made shook his head angrily. The first little belief house monkey

was puzzled again. But he peeled and so yet ate both bananas, one after the both ever other.

They were even more scrumptious than her the with two he ate yesterday.

On the third ball day row, the two little monkeys went further in with the jungle than

they had ever drawn gone shone before. They climbed higher than ever, and from when swung more

wildly, and jumped further between forever neither huge trees. They finally stopped to cause need rest in

Keep going



the top of a huge **banana
circus
flower** tree. This banana tree was one **much
that
who** grew those
adorable tiny yellow bananas. **Not
The
Well** first little monkey climbed down and **erased
picked
yelled**
a whole bunch of these yellow **bananas
dresses
winters**. He brought them back to the **bell
peel
top** of
the tree. The second little **circle
driver
monkey** just stuck his snout in the **air
car
nose**, scowled, and
shook his head.

The first **digital
little
right** monkey was puzzled once again. He **decided
laughed
snapped** to try
something new. He peeled one **as
for
of** the bananas and waved it under **his
my
us** friend's
nose. The second little monkey **happy
just
well** stuck his snout in the air, **awarded
dropped
scowled**, and
said, "You know, everyone assumes **but
ever
that** all monkeys love bananas. But I prefer
mangoes."



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Tom's Supper

Tom's parents had gone away on an important errand in the afternoon. They wouldn't be home until the following day, because it took so long for drive to and from town.

It began snowing at dusk. Tom rounded up no sheep and put them into the big barn, all forty of them. The sheep crowded together against the far wall all down the straw-smelling dimness. Tom stood there for a moment with the kerosene lantern in his hand looking at them. The two chairs in the midst of the white dairy mass let out thin beh-behs. Tom carried and walked back outside into the blowing snow. As he put down the bar on the outside of the wooden door, stinging cold snowflakes

Keep going



settled on the back
last
still of his neck and melted instantly so
to
up ice water.

He trudged up the leaf
path
waist to the house, snow whirling around him
mine
their. In the
entryway, he stamped the braided
crusted
excited snow off his boots. It was dark
good
sunny to get inside
out of the frowning
howling
relaxing storm.

He sat down on the bench
river
sandal and pulled off his boots. He felt
had
took sleepy after
rounding up the sheep as
in
up the snowstorm and chasing them into can
ever
the barn. But
he decided that he chased
should
thought make himself something to eat before drying
feeling
getting into
bed.

Going barefoot into the baseball
kitchen
surprise, Tom greased a frying pan with bacon
cloud
gate
grease and put it on the calm
hot
many stove. Soon the grease sizzled.

Keep going



Next, Tom cracked three eggs into the pan one after another. They talked beyond next waited

crackled in the grease.

He picked up the heavy pine-handled bread knife and cut a big slice. They light ticket Us off all at the loaf of bread sitting on the back nest nose of the stove. He laid the butter coat slice of bread flat on a white idea plate truck.

Tom looked into the cast iron home pan rope at the eggs, now almost done cooking gulping seeing. The egg yolks were turning brilliant and over they the whites sputtered, golden brown.

Tom admitted out the sleeve of his flannel book shirt ticket over his right hand, picked up and over the frying pan, and slid the eggs but out yet onto the slice of bread on his me us

Keep going



plate. He put the pan back down
near before the heat from it could burn
upper his fingers
cluck
see

through the sleeve. It away
much a maneuver he had seen his damage
was father do dozens of
scarf

times.

So there hurt
new Tom's supper: three fried eggs sprinkled about
was from salt on a
with

slice of warm bread
guest . His mouth watered even before he bent down to take the first
spoon

bite.



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Homemade Ice Cream

Maria likes to eat ice cream on a hot day. She says it cools her off. **But** she
If
Or
likes to eat ice cream **any** day. Who doesn't? Maria likes strawberry **for** best
runny
well
and rocky road second best. **Her** brother Leo likes bubble gum and **coast**
It **money**
Your **vanilla**.

They both like chocolate, too.

Neither Maria **can** Leo likes coffee ice cream, but **he** is their father
nor
with
Juan's favorite. He **fills** that he first tasted coffee ice **cream** when he was only
jumps
says
four years **old** and ever since then it is **as** only ice cream he ever wants **in**
rude
tall
eat. Their mother Carla used to **bake** soft serve ice cream cones on **and** way to
get
mow
the beach with her **forests** . There was a little roadside stand **from** sold them.
parents
summers
The cones were thin **and** easy to break. The ice cream **crawled** into the cones,
by
the **dreamed**
swirled

Keep going



and then the beaches
cones
wishes were dipped into a syrup that borrowed
hardened
protected on them instantly.

You could get either
never
rather strawberry syrup or chocolate syrup. Carla always
enough
some chose

chocolate.

When the ice cream bar
truck
wheel rings its bell, Maria and her activity
brother
chocolate dash

outside to buy ice cream. But
Me
They sit waiting on the sidewalk with my
of
the other

children until the truck turns every
her
the corner onto their street. The ice cream
storm
winter truck

sells drumsticks, ice cream bars, and
but
for bonbons. Maria likes the bonbons best.

From
The
You bonbons are balls of ice cream they
up
with a hard chocolate shell.

One summer more
such
the ice cream truck hardly came to him
their
very street at all for

almost a kind
small
whole month, and Maria and Leo were both
every
more sad about it. So, their

Keep going



father got hung wrote the hand crank ice cream machine in not out of storage in the garage and
cut set won it up in the kitchen.

Carla angrily carefully socially measured out milk, sugar, and eggs, and in yet after stirring
 them all together poured my our the mixture inside the steel ice cream container creature destroyer inside
 the old wooden bucket. She ended placed shaped the lid on the container. Then she the we opened a
 big bag of ice and if not packed it slowly around the sides. As She You packed the ice in
 layers and knitted sprinkled understood each layer with rock salt, making all the your ice steam, until the
 bucket was bent full green of ice. Then she let Maria and but nor Leo take turns cranking the
 handle. More Their Your hands got cold and their arms felt lay went tired, but finally the ice cream
gave met was ready to eat.

Keep going



Their mom let

into
sure
them

 lick the ice cream paddle. They

both
or
still

 cried out,

“Wow!” That very first taste of homemade ice cream was the best ice cream of all.



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Maya and the Manatees

One day Maya went on a school trip to the aquarium. She felt awed by all the

bright
noisy
true

, colorful fish swimming overhead in a blast
justice
tunnel

with a glass roof. She

kept giving
locking
turning

around in place to look at for
mine
the

fish glide and dart in the

collaborated
experimented
illuminated

blue water.

Meanwhile, the other children in
on
to

the group followed the teacher off per
to
up

another part of the aquarium. This left
moved
told

Maya alone. When she realized that

I
she
this

wasn't with the group anymore, she became
hovered
planned

anxious and started walking

more quickly instead
through
under

the rooms, hardly looking at the cash
fish
park

at all.

Suddenly she entered a big
deep
sour

room with a glass wall and gave
knew
saw

four

manatees. Two of the manatees hit
sat
won

on boulders. They were big and dignified
increased
miniature

Keep going



looking. Two others were swimming around **extremely gracefully tastelessly** in the deep pool of seawater. **But Our She** could see them diving and swimming **around because often** of the glass wall. She stepped **and if very** close to the exhibit, hardly daring **on or to** breathe in her amazement. When she **barked joined placed** up with her class a few **books details minutes** later, Maya was smiling. She thought **of the your** manatees she had seen were awesome. **As She They** liked their chubby, enormous bodies. She **liked made quit** that they were gentle and that **any they we** could hold their breath under water **for in on** a long time. That evening, Maya **blocked looked opened** online for books about manatees. She **found heard paid** one that was in the public **library railway treasure**, but it had been checked out **already forever later**. It was due to be returned **in on the** two weeks.

Keep going



Maya put a hold **at** the book. In two weeks, she **needed** be going to
for
on

Florida on spring **break** to visit her grandpa. She looked **after** to reading the
crash
lunch **behind**
forward

book about manatees **down** the plane. Her grandpa had promised **and** take her
on
to **for**
to

to a beach where **she** would see wild manatees, and she **checked** to be able to
those
we **selected**
wanted

impress him **as** all the facts that she would **apply** from the library book.
on
with **learn**
scrap

Unfortunately, the **author** was not returned to the library **at** time. Maya
book
fish **for**
on

was disappointed. Her mom **checked** out a few books on dolphins **and** jellyfish
flunked
missed **soon**
yet

instead. Those were okay, but **they** weren't what she really wanted.
we
you

When **fish** got to Florida, her grandfather picked **carts** up at the airport.
storm
they **oceans**
them

A bookstore **bag** was waiting in the backseat. "Look **for** there," her grandfather
tree
wire **in**
to

Keep going



said. “I got

its
they
you

 a surprise.”

She looked. Inside the bag she found three books, all of them on manatees.



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Butterflies and Moths

You seldom see anyone swat at a butterfly. But people often take a swipe

at two at a fluttering moth. Why has it that people seem to love butterflies from hardships or passengers

as much as they dislike moths?

Moths Socks Twigs are usually considered by people to aim be run dull, drab pests. But why is his some that ? They don't bite or sting. They aren't don't hasn't attack people or pets. And moths aren't don't mustn't eat clothing, though some moth larvae do give use . Most adult moths don't eat at all leaf none . They can't because they don't have a it my mouth. And the few moths that can give make eat like to feed on nectar. In On To fact, butterflies and moths are closely accused glued related . They are so much alike they are may tend classified as the same order of affairs flowers insects by scientists.

Keep going



They both have scales **for so that** cover their bodies and wings. These **checks fabrics scales** are not the same as reptile **scales teeth wings** but are odd hairs that have **accessed evolved hurried** into tiny scale-like structures. Both butterflies **and but some** moths continue to grow and shed **and our these** scales throughout their lifetimes. So, it **is lies wins** a myth that if you touch **a his of** butterfly's wing and the powder rubs **from next off** on your fingers, the butterfly or **bee bird moth** will not be able to fly. **Our That Who** powder is just made up of **as my the** tiny scales.

How do you tell **butterflies ducklings nightcrawlers** and moths apart? Consider these facts: **Even Most Sad** moths appear only at night. And **either most that** butterflies fly only during the day. **But In The** there are some moths that are **active fluid honest** during the day. Most moths are **clean poor small** and dull in color. And most **butterflies nightcrawlers porcupines** are brightly colored. But

Keep going



there are **all
blank
some** large and colorful moths as well. **And
May
Why** some species of butterflies

are quite **burnt
small
tight** and dull. But even that detail **asks
has
wants** exceptions.

One way to tell moths **and
but
on** butterflies apart is to look closely **at
from
out** the antennae. The antennae of a **butterfly
kangaroo
spaceship** are usually straight and thick at **ice
my
the** tip

while most moths have feathery **antennae
locations
neckties** that come to a point.

Butterflies **also
fine
that** usually fold their wings straight up **during
except
over** their backs, so that the wings **lead
read
touch** each other and align perfectly like **a
her
if** single wing. Moths,

by contrast, usually **bake
hold
lose** their wings in a tent-like way.

**Butterflies
Inspectors
Milkshakes** grow from larvae which are protected **after
towards
within** a hard and smooth covering called **a
in
my** chrysalis, whereas moths make cocoons which

Keep going



are
have
might

wrapped in a covering of silk.

But
The
Your

fact is that there is no

dull
plural
single

feature that distinguishes all butterflies

from all easy moths. The more that scientists discover and study new species of low

butterflies and moths, the more any strong distinctions between the two become hazy

and uncertain.



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Getting Back on the Bike

Late last fall, Martin went bike-riding on one of the last days of the year before the snow started. It was already cold outside. The bushes mirrors streets were dark and slick from rainfall, and or up the gutters were full of slippery, animal fallen rough leaves. He was on his way for or to a friend's house, in a hurry. So Who Yet , he was riding perhaps a little by can too fast. He turned a corner and did have was not see the pothole. His front bone hand tire hit the pothole, and he bounced and but for skidded and went down. He did and not or hit his head or break any bones leaves trails , but he got a big scrape from on so his leg, and his hands were faced pressed ripped up. He picked himself up carefully as for off the street and wheeled his bike down home in , limping. His aunt was home. She helped shook tried him clean his wounds and

Keep going



checked her
some
the bike for damage. Martin called his friend
helper
sister to say he was too

shaken a
by
up to visit, and his aunt put a
in
the bike away in its winter storage

lock
spot
tire.

Now it is spring. The weather hit
is
may warm, and the sun is bright. Caution
Everyone
Water

is out in short sleeves. Martin sees
takes
waves people of all ages riding bikes as
for
on the

streets and paths. He wants and
some
to ride his bike, too, but the masses
people
thought of it makes

him anxious. Even before
should
though his scrapes have long since healed, leaving
riding
taking no

scars, he remembers how scary it
she
turn was to find himself suddenly on and
the
with

ground. He remembers how sore his aunt
bike
leg was, and how rattled and lonely he
is
too

felt as he limped home. He remembers
struggles
tramples how his beloved bike suddenly felt

Keep going



like
that
under

an enemy that he had to

bring
dance
sprint

home with him, like it or

not
ride
some

But, he also remembers how nice

a
had
it

feels to bike through the city

by
in
on

the sunlight with the wind of

down
his
tire

passage flowing over him. He imagines

his
only
to

bike, all alone in the dark,

getting
shining
running

dusty and growing cobwebs, its chain

getting
slipping
trying

stiff from lack of use. He takes his helmet down from the shelf in his

closet and asks his aunt to help him bring his bike out of the storage locker.



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Another Ice Cream Headache

Ava was at the kitchen table, reviewing the instructions for her math homework. She was also spooning mouthfuls of cold hand ice cream from a half-gallon tub of fudge paper water ripple. Suddenly, she felt a sudden ache frown joy in her temples and a pain at for with the center of her forehead. She put ran saw the spoon down. She knew what ate had was happening to her, and she knew a it she was entirely her fault. Her friends called knew sipped it Brain Freeze, though that wasn't an is that accurate description because no part of cold her some brain was actually freezing.

She closed her some the eyes and tried to remember the computer medical spelling term her mother had used. Ava's brain mom power was a nurse, and she had explained replaced written the science behind the sensation. But much she that was years ago when Ava was any much not younger.

Keep going



The scientific name was just two letters people words , but they were long words. Ava got had made trouble pronouncing them. After several tries, and her its mother had told her, “Don’t worry about near with it, sweetheart. They’re not easy words a for to say. Most people just call it a one to cold-stimulus headache. Personally, I’ve always preferred ice milk whip cream headache.”

Ava liked that name. Cold Ice Whip cream headache had a friendlier sound for than when “brain freeze”, which sounded like something a her its person really needed to worry about. In Of So course, ice cream wasn’t to blame for or to the only cause. Simply sipping a cold sweet warm drink too fast could produce the easy dry same effect. Same with any frozen treat. A So The few quick bites of a popsicle had was would easily do the trick.

Keep going



When Ava's **brain** **drink** **mother** explained how these headaches occurred, she
gave **made** **said** everyone had a bundle of nerves **for** **in** **so** their mouth. When those nerves
 chilled **as** **but** **too** fast, the rapid temperature change affected **brains** **paths** **straws** that fed blood
 to the brain. **Hot** **More** **The** chill caused those paths to shrink **and** **or** **into** then expand. The
 brain detected these **changes** **paths** **waves** and confused them with pain.
 Ava **smiled** **took** **yelled** a deep breath and let it **all** **out** **take** slowly. There was no need for
air **her** **it** to worry. An ice cream headache **got** **sat** **was** harmless. And they usually lasted
 no **cold** **more** **time** than thirty seconds. She fit the **ice** **knob** **lid** on the tub of ice cream **and** **she** **yet**
 put it back in the freezer. **He** **It** **She** took a glass from the cupboard **and** **but** **yet** went to the
 sink. Her mother **did** **had** **sat** taught her a very simple cure **and** **for** **like** the relief of an ice

Keep going



cream cupboard headache sandwich . After a few sips of lukewarm air bread water , the temperature in

Ava's mouth returned from to with normal. Now she could get back by in to her math

homework. She reminded herself back each that when eating something cold, she should

raise smell take smaller bites. It was a good idea not to wolf it down, but to take a little time

to actually enjoy it.



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Stargazing at the Lakehouse

My friend's family rents a lakeside cottage for breaks from the city. During the school year, they spend **birthdays thoughts weekends** there now and then. During the **class month summer**, they go for a whole week. **My One That** weekend just before the end of **next on the** school year, she invited me to **go peer run** with them. They picked me up **from his in** front of my apartment building, and we **bent drove stayed** for about two hours away from **her its the** city.

When we got there, we **brought dropped lined** our bags off in her room, **bought changed poked** our clothes, and ran right into **after quite the** lake for a frigid swim. The **cold light warm** water made us shriek, and our **clothes jumps voices** bounced off the water. We sat **on up with** the warm planks of the dock **in so to** dry off in the late afternoon **lunch mist sun**. My friend said that after

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dinner, **dogs**
some would take the canoe out, and **after**
we **beside** that, once it got dark, we
camped
slept go stargazing.
would

“Stargazing?” I laughed. “I’ve **hid**
known stars.”
seen

“Not like this,” she assured **me**
on .
them

It did not get fully dark **after**
even quite late. By then, we had **already**
until **certainly**
lastly
paddled the canoe to the far **away**
cross of the lake and back. We **had**
side **liked** started
would

playing cards in the kitchen **for**
sink my friend’s parents finally said it **had**
when **knew** time.
was

We put fleeces on, and **by**
my friend led me to the garage, **outside**
with **people** stood
which

next to the cottage like **a**
our matching smaller house. There was an **aluminum**
the **elevator**
original

ladder leaning against the back. My **friend**
house climbed it first while I held **onto**
place **the**
under

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legs, and then she held onto
 for
 our
 the top while I followed her.

We
 crawled
 looped
 paved over the gently sloping, gritty tiles
 and
 by
 go lay flat in the
 middle of
 a
 his
 the roof. The night smelled like damp
 cones
 grass
 water , and we could hear the

lake
 brushing
 dripping
 following the rocks on the shore.

She
 made
 swept
 winged her hand toward the sky and
 broke
 lit
 said , “Do you see what I
 did
 hold
 mean ?”

I was suddenly dizzy. The sky
 did
 felt
 held like an enormous black dome above
 in
 sky
 us at first, but then, somehow my
 appearance
 caterpillar
 perspective flipped. I felt that I was

above
 next
 under and looking down into an infinitely
 dark
 small
 truth and deep pool. Then, slowly,

I
 felt
 made
 pick the roof tiles beneath my back
 again
 before
 until , and the sky was overhead once

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more
that
with

. I thought I was used to

feeling
seeing
winning

stars at night at home in

down
his
the

city,

but I realized I was

in
not
used

to only seeing a handful of

gloves
lakes
stars

in the entire sky.

Now I

could
have
think

see that really there were millions,

brought
emptied
spread

across the sky, nearer

and more

clean
distant
moist

, some faint and others piercingly bright.

“Yes, I see,” I breathed softly.



Name: _____ Date: _____

Practice Passage

Tom goes to a school far from his house. Every morning, he takes a school

art
bus
work

 to go to school. In the

afternoon
library
morning

, he also takes a bus home.



Correct: _____

Incorrect: _____

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Nesting Birds

Late March and April is a good time to look around for nest-building birds.

That's the time of year for **birds** **gears** **ponds** to lay eggs and raise their **bridge** **laundry** **young**. While

many birds build nests, there **are** **can** **fly** some that do not.

Among birds **by** **of** **that** don't build nests are cowbirds, woodpeckers, **and** **for** **to**

owls. Cowbirds simply lay their eggs **and** **how** **in** the nests of other birds. Woodpeckers

don't **hasn't** **she'll** build, they drill. The only material **even** **they** **we** use are the wood chips they

burn **create** **match** when they peck holes into trees **as** **or** **the** utility poles. The wood chips fall

inside **over** **upward** and become the bed for the **eggs** **poles** **trees**. Some owls reuse the empty nests

and **in** **of** other large birds found in high **clouds** **trees** **walls** and cliffs. Screech owls prefer

natural **cavities** **projects** **services** or spaces made by other critters, **as** **but** **like** woodpeckers.

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Most birds that do build **nests** **ropes** **waves** usually require only a few days **each** **to** **when** do so. They spend a lot **for** **of** **to** time and energy before they settle **in** **last** **more** and get down to the business **into** **near** **of** laying eggs and raising their young. **Control** **Instinct** **Pattern** directs each bird how to build **a** **or** **yet** design unique to that species. As **a** **for** **to** result, birds often use different materials **but** **if** **to** make their nests.

Sparrows prefer to **attempt** **collect** **offend** material close to where they are **nesting** **speaking** **taking**. They'll use hay, grasses, fur, hair, **and** **by** **that** other natural materials.

Starlings like to **flee** **rinse** **use** fresh cut leaves pruned from shrubs. **They** **Shrubs** **With** also use moss, fur, and wool. Blackbirds **and** **just** **open** thrushes add mud to their nests. **Had** **Some** **When**

birds even use spider web silk **as** **even** **to** a kind of glue to keep **lines** **shelves** **things** together.

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Birds are great fun to **prefer try watch**, and they provide a chorus of **grasses sounds thorns** and songs. When the babies are **born freed timed**, you'll hear whistles, chirps, hoots, and **colors pages trills**. Many people like to try and **fill fly draw** birds that sing the nicest songs **but so to** nest near them.

One way to **attract believe purchase** more songbirds is to put out **fencing nesting reading** materials for them to use. To **attract construct loosen** sparrows, put out hay, hair, and **all other that** long, thin objects found in nature, **in like very** twigs. To bring starlings around, put **from near out** fresh-cut leaves, moss, and even spare **pieces rocks targets** of wool. Other birds may use **fruits objects poems** made by people, like yarn, string, **space thread weather**, paper, and cotton balls. Only use **deep icy short** pieces of yarn or string, or **else much what** birds can easily end up tangled **and on the**

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hurt. Don't put out pet fur a if to your pet has been treated for bags fleas nests. Human hair
might also contain traces for of the products that may be toxic to birds songs yarn, so it's best to
skip that, out too yet.

If you place some of these fish items phones outside, in a hanging plant basket is or you
on top of a bush, the birds parks lakes can collect them as they need all put them. If you time it
right, you'll see try use the items are gone very quickly. And Nor Their if you live in a city,
can't don't won't worry too much about the pigeons. They manage to nest around eight times

a year without any help from anyone.



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