



# BIRD BEAK GAME

One of the reasons birds migrate is to find food. To find out what a bird likes to eat, sometimes all you have to do is look at their beak. In this game, you will test out different types of “beaks” to find out more about how a bird’s beak influences what they eat.

## WHAT YOU’LL NEED:

- For beaks - chopsticks, spoons, forks, tongs, pliers, tweezers, eye droppers and s pring-action clothespins.
- For food (a few of each) - dried beans, pasta, marshmallows, gummy worms, marbles, rubber bands, pennies, or any other small items you might have around your kitchen or house.

## INSTRUCTIONS:

1. All of the utensils you have represent different types of bird beaks - think of birds you may have seen in your neighborhood or playing Animal Jam, what utensils do their beaks resemble?
2. Set up the “food” items on a flat surface, try and make a guess (or prediction, if you want to use scientist lingo) about which beaks will work best to pick up different foods.
3. Try out each beak - which foods do you have an easy time picking up? Which foods are harder? (Make sure you’re only using the beak and not your fingers to pick up food!)
4. If you want, you can be a scientist and record your observations. You can even observe birds in your yard or community to see how they use their beaks!

