



## **Nest Building**

*Not all birds build a nest from scratch – some take advantage of holes in trees, some create scrapes in the ground, and some birds, like the Cuckoo, lay their eggs in someone else's nest! However, most birds work tirelessly every spring to build a nest using only their beaks.*

*Take some time to consider these structures – the importance of their design and construction for the job they do; the various sizes, shapes and locations chosen.*

Can you build your own nest?

It must be well camouflaged to hide from predators.

It must be strong and sturdy to withstand the weather.

It must be soft inside to protect the eggs and young birds.

Gather a range of natural materials to create your nest.

Identify the best place to build your nest.

Challenge – can you build your nest one-handed?

