

Activity-15: Animals beaks.

Questions to begin with:

What kinds of animal have beaks?

Are there animals other than birds that have beaks?

What is present in a bird which is missing in a cat?

What is present in a cat which is missing in a bird?

Why do birds have beaks?

Are beaks present to compensate the absence of something?

Procedure/Tasks:

Discussion should be held with students regarding how different birds have differently shaped beaks and the special purposes they serve. Here are some special purposes that beaks serve:

Nut cracking	For boring holes	For cutting leaves	For sucking nectar
For filter feeding	For hunting fish	For scooping meat	For eating grains

Following is a picture of different kinds of beaks. The students should recognize their purpose and label them with the functions as given in the above table.



Concepts covered: Different kinds of birds are living in different parts of the earth. Different kinds of plants are present in different parts of the earth. Thus birds have different types of beaks to help them obtain food or defend themselves from predators of different kinds in their respective places.