Backyard bird checklist for kids

Pick a view from a window or a quiet spot outside. Watch with a grown-up for five minutes. Use the same view on another day and see what changes.

Date _____ Time _____ Weather _____

Where I looked _____

Check the clues you noticed

- [ ] Size and shape: small and round, or long with a big tail
- [ ] Colors and markings: a stripe, a patch or a bright bill
- [ ] Movement: hopping, climbing, pecking or sitting still
- [ ] Location: on the ground, on a branch or by a building

Birds I saw

For each kind of bird, record the most you saw together. A description works as a name.

Name or description	Most together	Where it was or what it did

Sketch a bird or its perch

If no birds came by, draw something you noticed while you waited.