

Owls & Turkeys

Literacy Centers For 2nd & 3rd Grades



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Wild Turkey

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Barn Owl

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facts

Barn owls are nocturnal.

Barn owls do not hoot.

Barn owls usually hunt animals on the ground.

opinions

Barn owls are the most interesting species of owls.

The sound barn owls make is eerie.

Barn owls are beautiful to watch fly.

Barn owls are medium owls that have long wings and short, square tails.

Barn owls are not scary animals.

Barn owls are carnivores.

Farmers should want barn owls to live on their farms.

Barn owls lay eggs.

I think we should learn more about barn owls.

Barn owls are pale in color and have dark eyes.

It is too cold to go outside and watch the barn owls.

Wild turkeys can be found in every state except Alaska.

Wild turkeys are my least favorite bird.

Wild turkeys will fly into trees at night and roost in groups.

Wild turkeys make funny sounds.

Wild turkeys live in forests.

Wild turkeys are scary because they are big.

Some foods wild turkeys eat are acorns, hickory nuts, wild black cherries and ash seeds.

It would be interesting to watch a group of wild turkeys roosting in trees.

Wild turkeys lay 4 to 17 eggs at a time.

I would rather read about wild turkeys than barn owls.

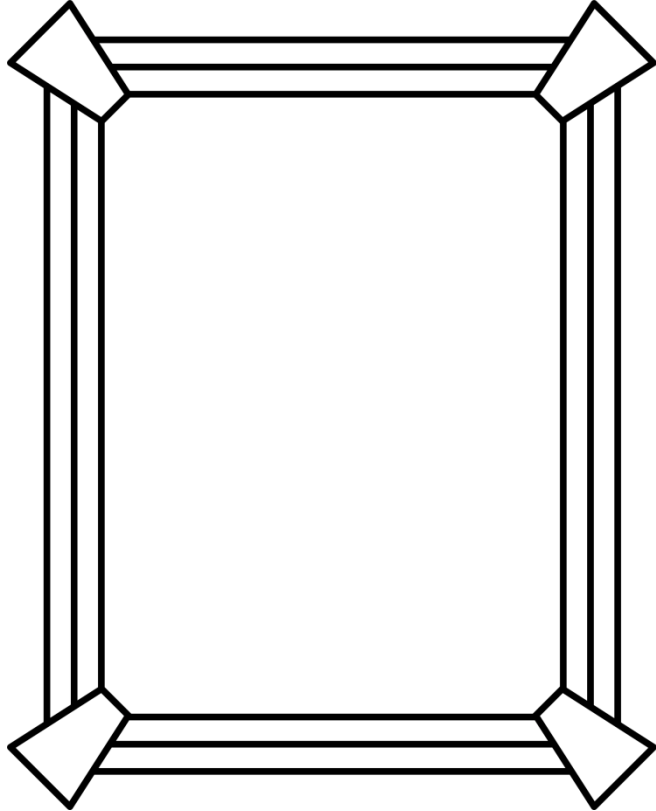
Wild turkeys mostly move around by walking but they are able to run and fly when needed.

Wild turkeys don't taste very good.

Wild turkeys are hunted by coyotes, bobcats, raccoons and other animals.

Wild turkeys smell bad.

Name: _____



My animal is:

One Fact About My Animal Is:

One Opinion About My Animal Is:

talon

the claw of an animal,
especially a bird of prey

roost

a place where birds
nest

raptor

birds that are predators,
they have large wingspans
and sharp talons

brood

a group of young birds
that come from the same
nest

owlet

a baby owl

nocturnal

an animal that hunts at night and rests during the day

incubation

the period of brooding required for an egg to hatch

carnivore

animals that eat meat

predator

animals that hunt other animals for food

ornithologist

a person who studies birds

wattle

folds of skin hanging from the head or neck of a turkey

gobble

the sound a turkey makes

forage

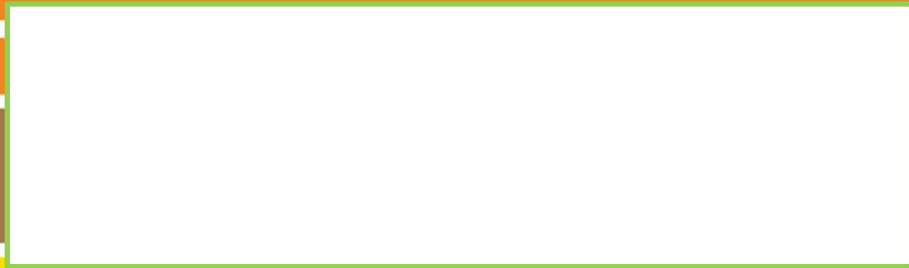
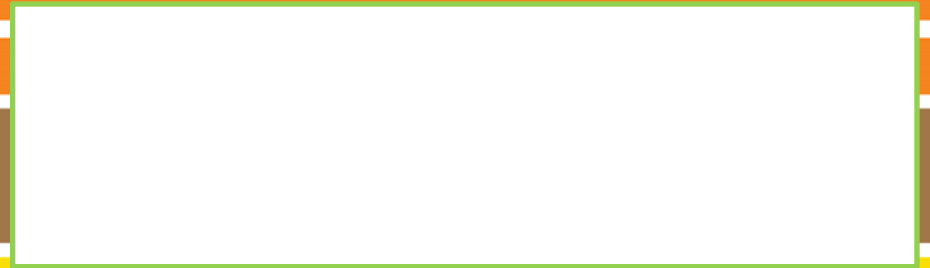
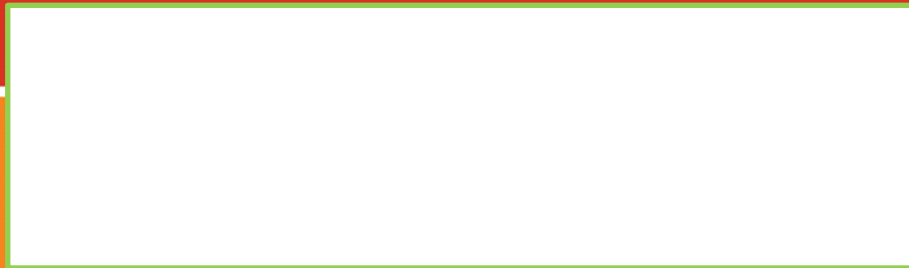
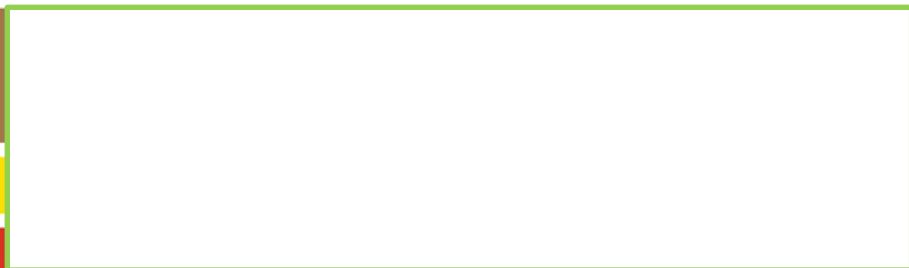
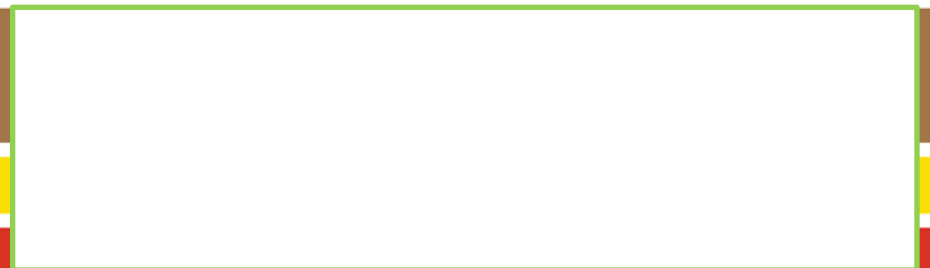

to search for food

omnivore

an animal that eats
plants and animals

flock

a number of birds that
feed, rest or travel
together

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Vocabulary Task #1

Put the vocabulary words in ABC order.

Vocabulary Task #2

Sort the words by the number of syllables.

Vocabulary Task #3

Use each vocabulary word in a complete sentence.

Vocabulary Task #4

Practice reading each word aloud.

Name: _____

Directions: In the shapes below compare the facts you have read about barn owls and wild turkeys. How are they the same? How are they different?

Owls & Turkeys

Owl

Turkey

Did you know that wild turkeys can be found in every state in our country except Alaska?

European explorers first brought wild turkeys to Europe from Mexico in the early 1500s.

Wow! Winter groups of wild turkeys can sometimes have over 200 turkeys together.

I think it is interesting that wild turkeys are able to swim if needed. They will tuck their wings close to their body, spread their tail and kick.

Wild turkeys have excellent daylight vision. Their eyes are found on the side of their heads.

Do you think wild turkeys have good hearing? They do! Their hearing helps them detect any threats.

The barn owls are silent as they hunt small rodents during the night.

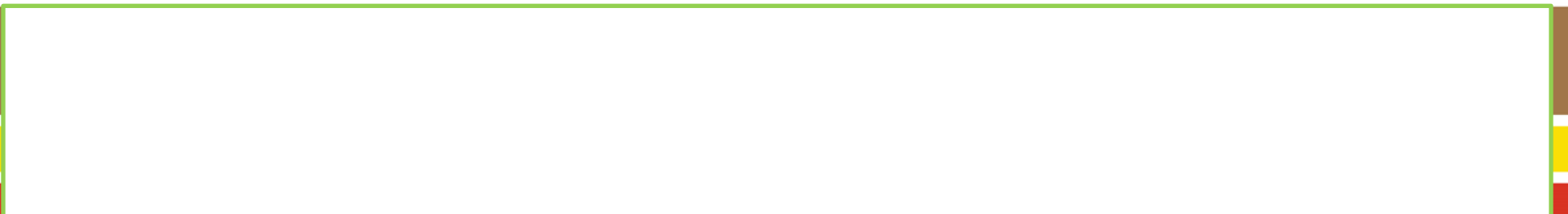
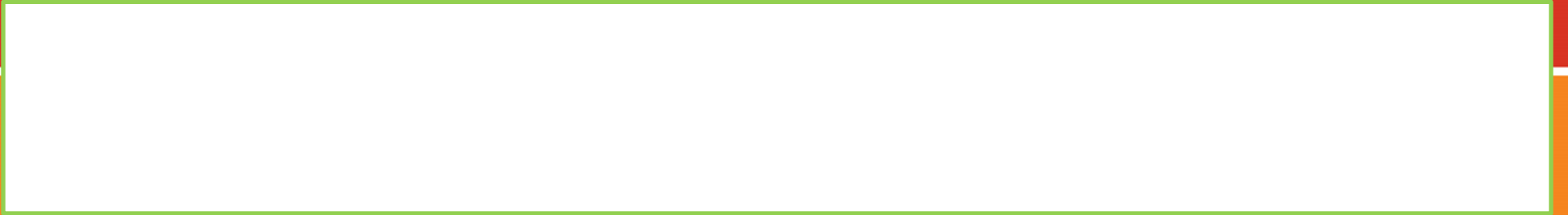
Barn owls might nest in old barns or silos but can also be found in cavities in trees.

Barn owls are carnivores. Do you know what a carnivore is?

You might be able to see a barn owl if you are driving through the country at night.

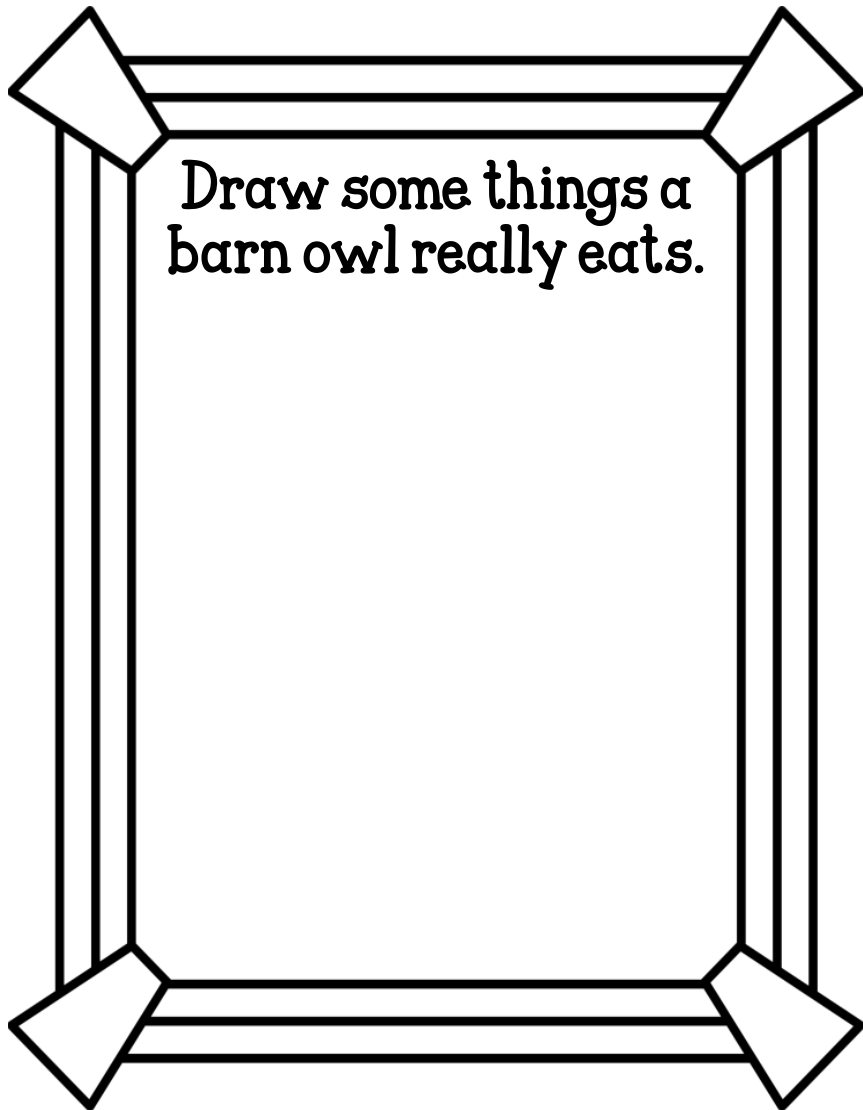
Barn owls are nocturnal. Do you know what this word means?

Owls are known for hooting but barn owls make an eerie call that is raspy and unlike the sounds many other owls make.



Name: _____

What do barn owls eat?



What did you learn about a barn owl's diet? Write three facts about what they really eat.

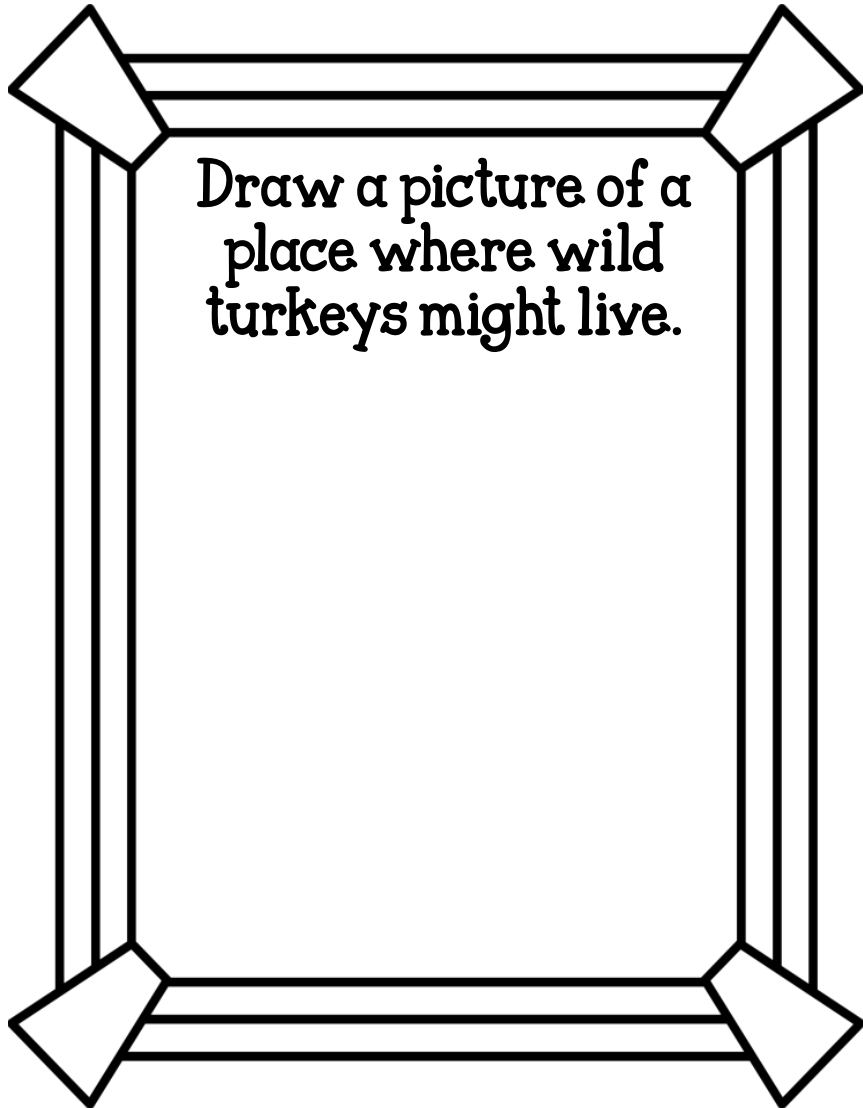
1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Name: _____

Where can you find wild turkeys?



Draw a picture of a place where wild turkeys might live.

What did you learn about a wild turkey's habitat? Write three facts about what where they live.

1. _____

2. _____

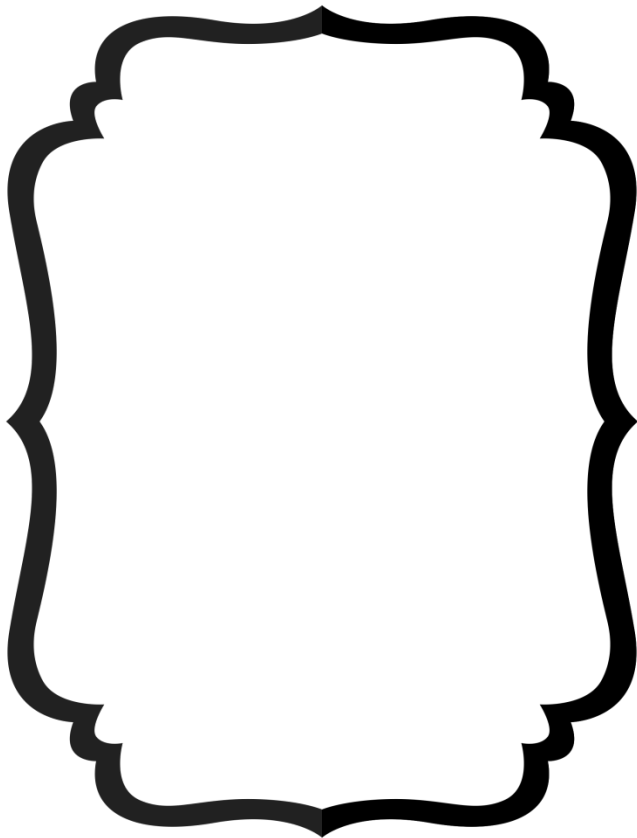
3. _____

Name: _____

My Opinion Is...

Barn owls are much better than turkeys! Here are three reasons why I think that:

This is a barn owl:



1. _____

2. _____

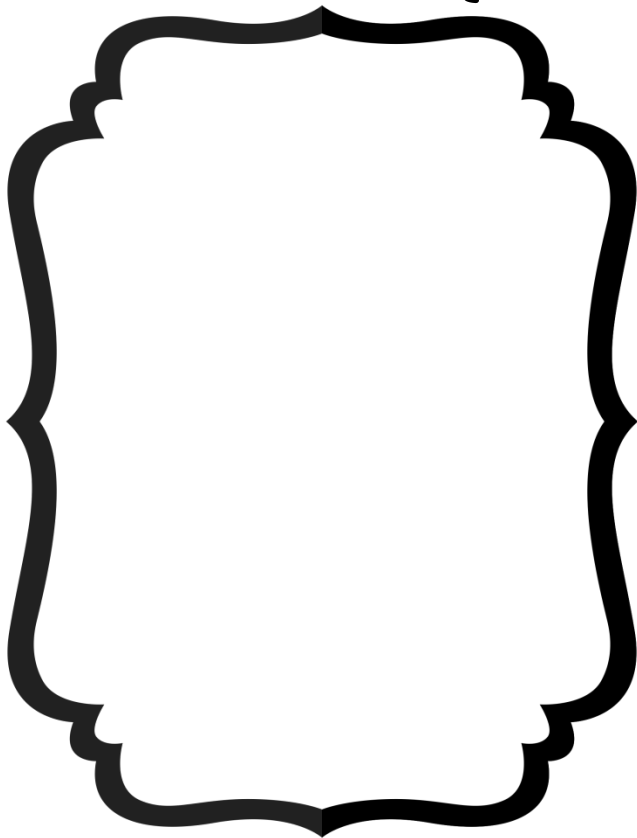
3. _____

Name: _____

My Opinion Is...

Turkeys are much better than barn owls! Here are three reasons why I think that:

This is a turkey:

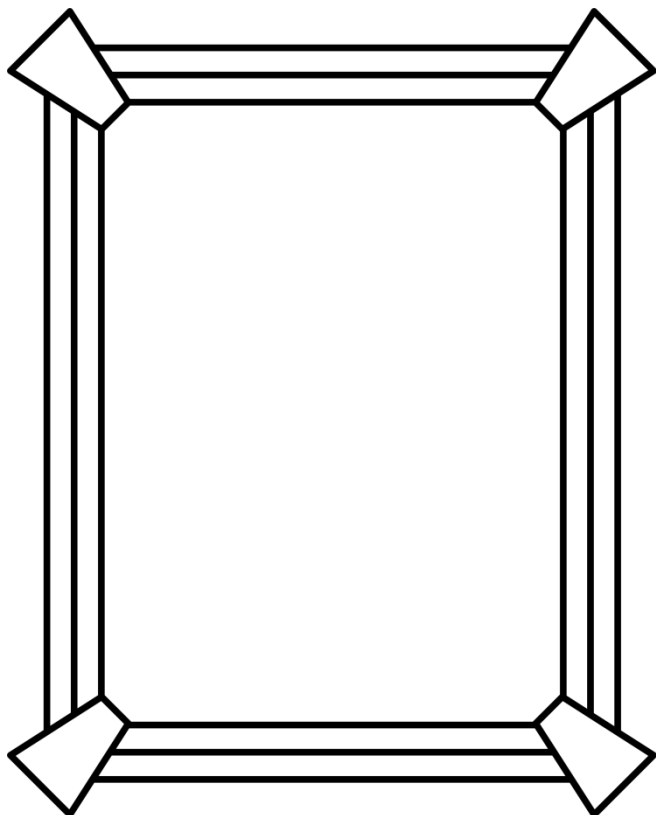


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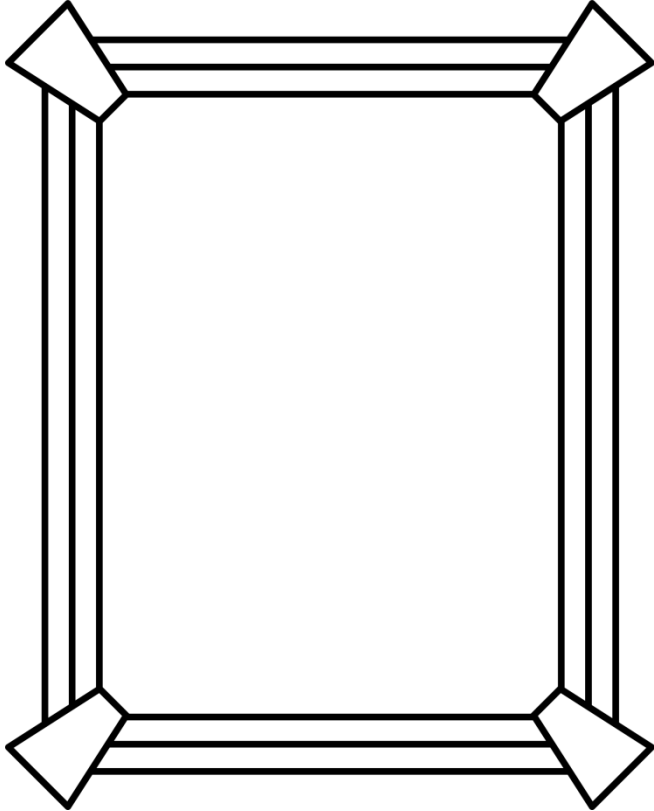
My animal is:

The book I read is:

The author is:

3 facts I learned are:

Name: _____



My animal is:

The book I read is:

The author is:

2 facts I learned are:

One thing I wonder is:

Name: _____

My animal is:



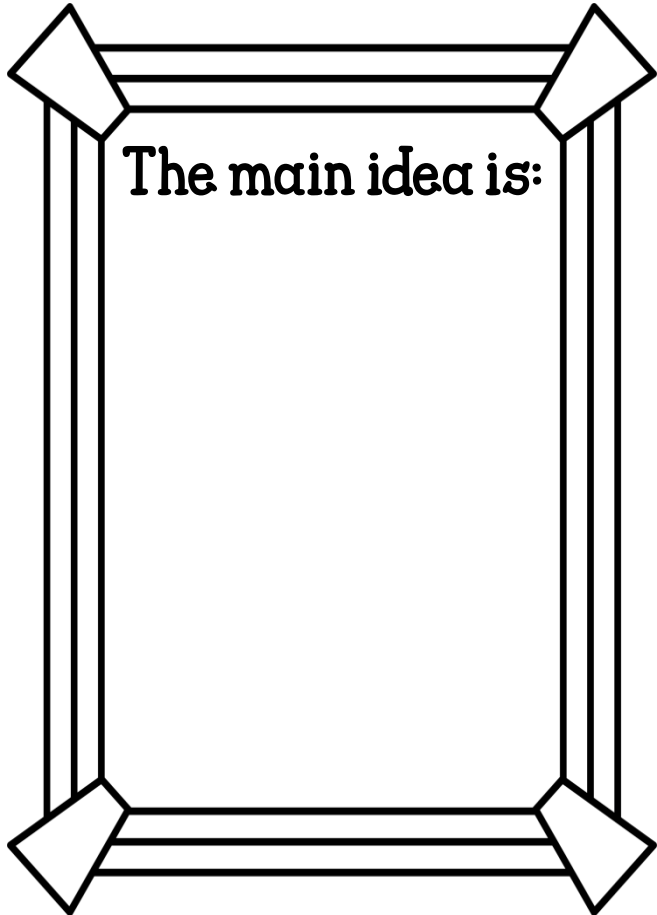
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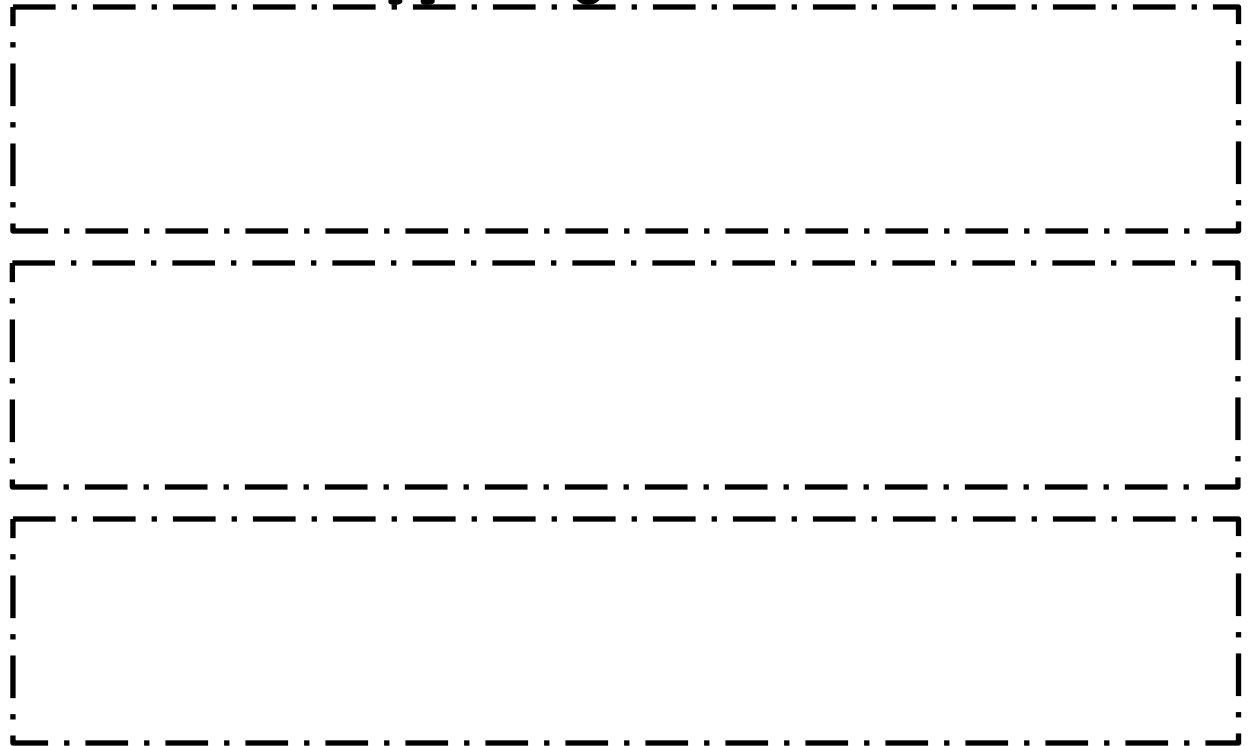
The author is:



The main idea is:



3 supporting details are:



Name: _____

Barn Owls

are	look like
eat	live

Name: _____

Wild Turkeys

are	look like
eat	live

**My
animal
is:**

Habitat

Diet

**1
interesting
fact**

All About Barn Owls

Author: _____

All About Wild Turkeys

Author:

Habitat

Diet

Life Cycle

Interesting Fact

Interesting Fact

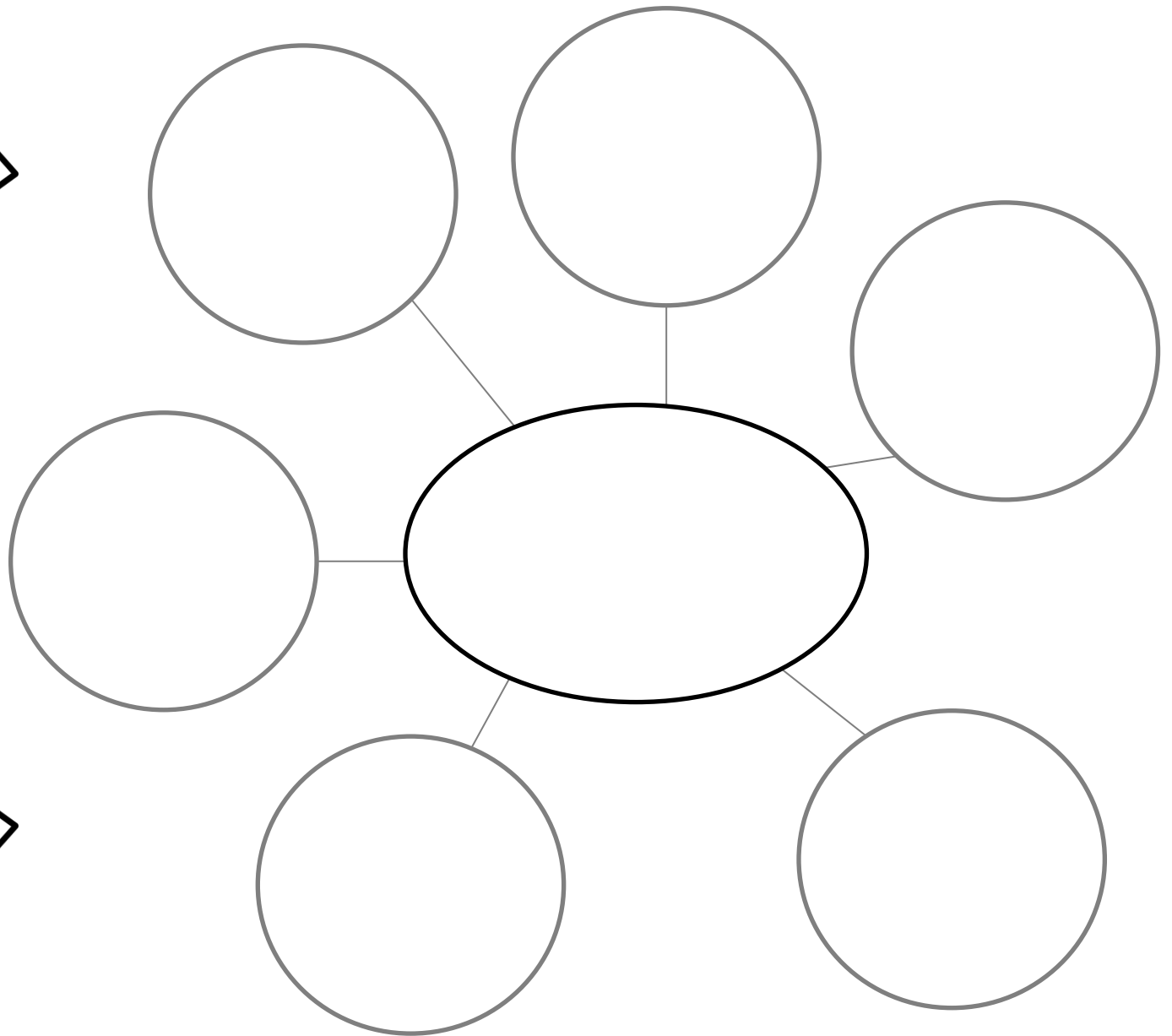
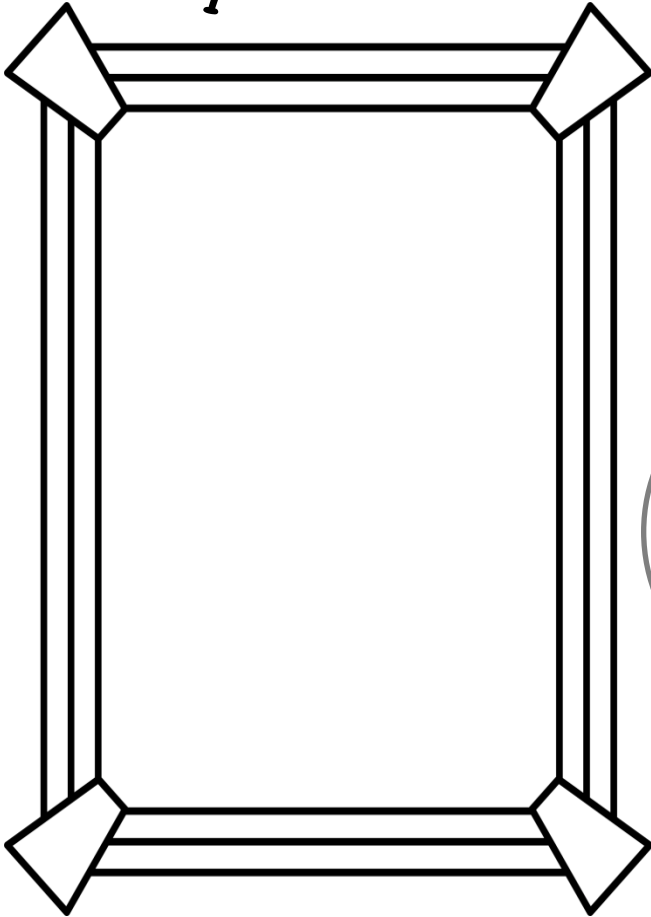
Interesting Fact

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Name: _____

My animal is:



Directions: Write the name of your animal in the center. In the web surrounding, write facts you have learned.