

Raptor Rap

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Osprey



Turkey
Vulture



Black Vulture



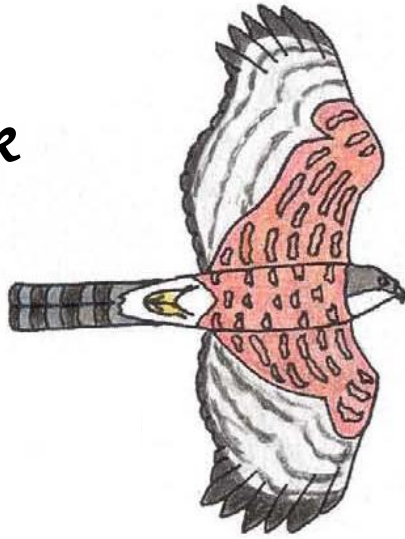
I'm a raptor, I'm called an Osprey
I like to catch every fish that I see
Hover and plunge with talons
stretched out
Catching a bass, sunfish or trout
I nest along lake shores in dead trees
Where I can watch and fish as I please

I'm a raptor, I'm a bird of prey
I use my talons everyday
I eat living things, and that's ok
Because I am a raptor, I'm a bird of prey
(INTRO & CHORUS)

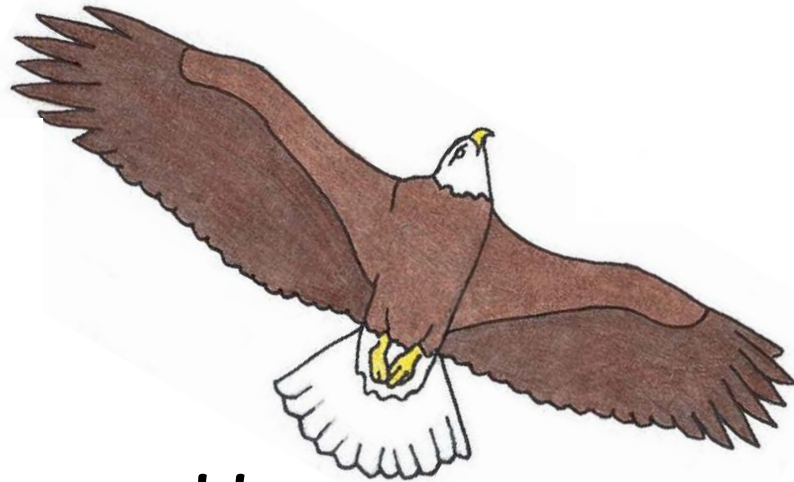
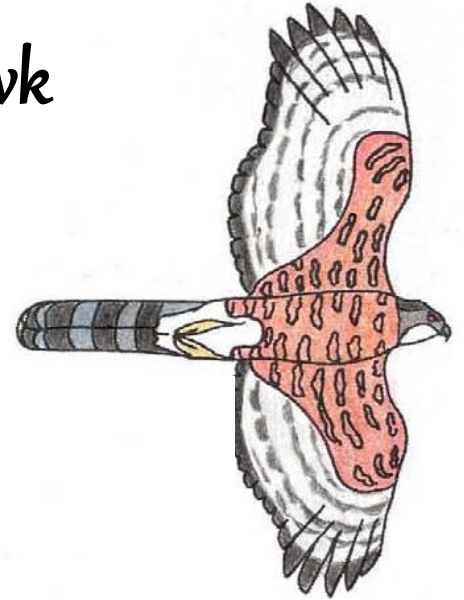
I'm no raptor, I'm called a Turkey Vulture
I migrate with the hawks once I mature
I soar and fly with the best
With upturned wings of lofty zest
I can smell my food from a mile away
Dead rotting animals are my favorite yeay!

I'm no raptor, I'm a Vulture called Black
I forage and recycle, so I give back
My smell is not as good as my Turkey friend
So I follow them, and dine at the roads bend
I open my wings to scare with shade
Small mammals in the grasses that I raid!

Sharp-
shinned Hawk



Cooper's Hawk



Bald
Eagle



Merlin

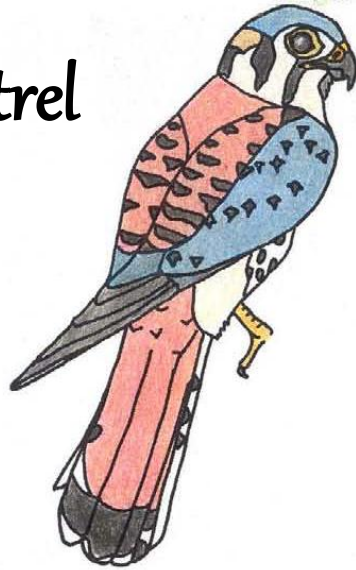
I'm a raptor, a mid-sized hawk of the woods
I'm a Cooper's Hawk and my flying is good
I have a long tail and speed through the trees
Chasing birds quickly, turning with ease
I crush them with my talon feet
And then fly to a perch on which to eat

I'm a raptor, a Hawk called Sharp-shinned
In chasing songbirds I always win
Around a feeder or in the trees
Birds shiver and quake, get weak in the knees
Because I'm fast and quick on the wing
Better watch my talons while you sing

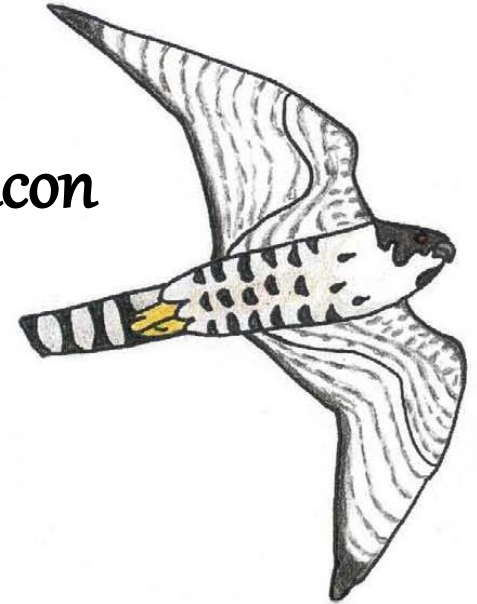
I'm a raptor, a falcon built for speed
My name is Merlin, I'm always ready to feed
I use bursts of speed to snare my prey
Catching slower birds throughout the day
I breed from Alaska and across Canada
Then I migrate south into the Americas

I'm a raptor, I'm a Bald Eagle
People think that I look brave and regal
With a white head and a white tail
I dominate the raptor world without fail
My nest can weigh over a ton
And you better believe I'm Raptor #1

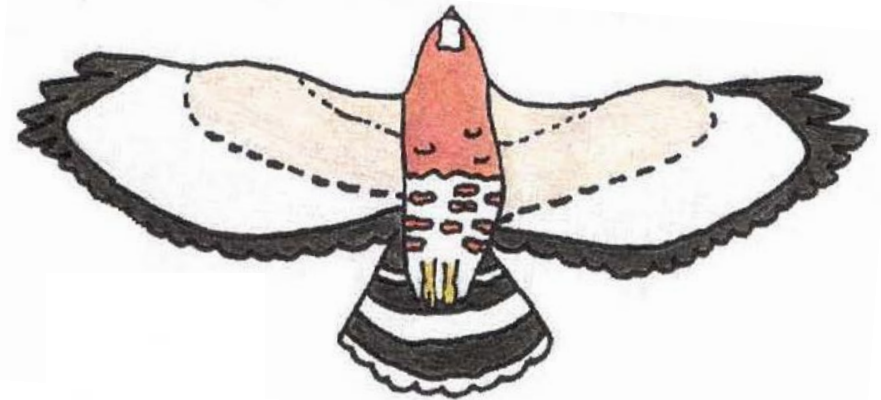
American Kestrel



Peregrine Falcon



Red-tailed Hawk



Broad-winged Hawk

I'm a raptor, a Peregrine Falcon

The fastest bird that you EVER have seen

Tucking my talons into a big fist

Looking to punch my prey and I rarely miss

I nest high on rocky cliffs with a view

Looking at the trees, the birds and YOU!

I'm a raptor, I'm an American Kestrel

The smallest falcon in the west world

I don't mind eating insect prey

That I catch in open fields all day

Of raptors I'm the most colorful one

Watch for me playing in the sun!

I'm a raptor, I'm a hawk called Broad-winged

I nest throughout the east in the spring

I'm pale below with a thick banded tail

And my big broad wings help me sail

It becomes too cold for me in the fall

So I migrate south with my friends, raptors all!

I'm a raptor, I'm a Red-tailed hawk

wherever I go, the people just gawk

Sitting in a tree or flying high in the sky

the sun through my tail just dazzles the eye

snake or squirrel or rabbit or mouse

They better watch out when I'm in the house

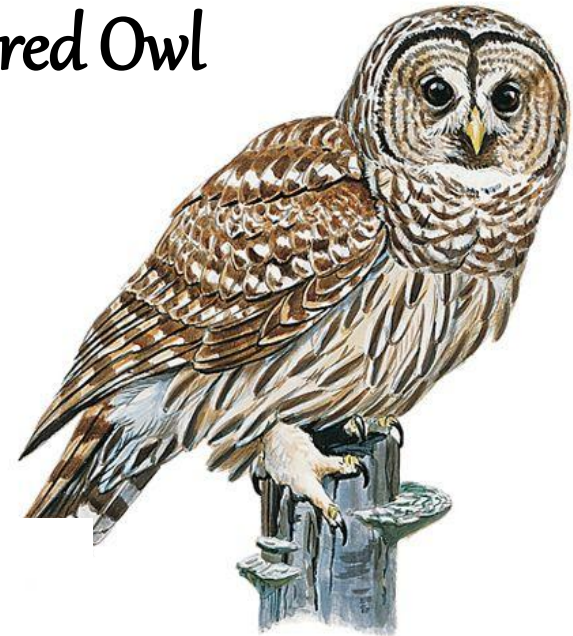


Red-shouldered Hawk

Northern Harrier



Barred Owl



Great
Horned Owl



I'm a raptor, a Northern Harrier
Hunting over fields mice think I'm scarier
I soar with my wings tilted up high
As I watch below with a keen sharp eye
Girls are brown and boys are colored gray
Both have a white rump seen all day

I'm a raptor, a hawk with shoulder's red
I live in the forest where I stay well fed
Mammals, birds, lizards and frogs
I drop down from a perch, to catch them all
Blue Jays mimic me and crows attack
They remember me from their childhood
years back

I'm a raptor, I'm a big Barred Owl
Swamps at night is how I prowl
The quietest mammal I can see and hear
With large facial discs near my ear
On silent wings I make my attack
And the surprised mouse can't turn back

I'm a Great Horned Owl, I'm a Bird of Prey
If you want no pain, stay outa my way
Work all night, sleep all day,
But that's ok I'm a Bird of Prey
Big yellow eyes, tiger of the sky-
when this BIRD's hungry, something's gonna
die!



Eastern Screech Owl

Barn Owl



Mississippi
Kite



Northern Saw-
whet Owl



I'm a raptor, a Barn Owl big and white
With the scariest sound of the night
If you enter my home, my darkly lit barn
You'll hear me scream, a warning of harm
That I'm the best rat control in these parts
So leave me be, with my face like a heart

I'm a raptor, an owl called Eastern Screech
Nesting in tree cavities or nest boxes in reach
My color can either be red or gray
I catch nocturnal insects as they fly away
I don't screech, I just whistle and trill
Throughout the night, showing my skill

I'm a raptor, an owl of the mountains & hills
Tiny but tough, surviving cold chills
A Northern Saw-whet Owl, and very cute
Listen for my series of whistled toots
My chocolate brown color is hard to see
As I hide up against, the same color tree

I'm a raptor, I'm a Mississippi Kite
Beautifully colored gray and white
I nest in old growth forests and around town
But don't get close, or I'll swoop on down
I'm built for a strong and graceful flight
Watch me soar above, with all my might

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From a high pitch
or a towering tree
I must satisfy my niche,
and catch anything that may free