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# Raptor Scavenger Hunt

What is a raptor? Raptors are birds of prey that hunt using their sharp claws (called talons) and strong vision. Raptors include owls, hawks, and vultures. Explore the large raptors in the center of the room, as well as the owl case and raptor case to complete the clues below.

1. I am the largest owl here, and while it looks like I have ears, these are really just specialized feathers.

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*A Great Horned Owl.*

2. Raptors have powerful claws called talons. Draw a raptor's talons below and write the raptor's name.

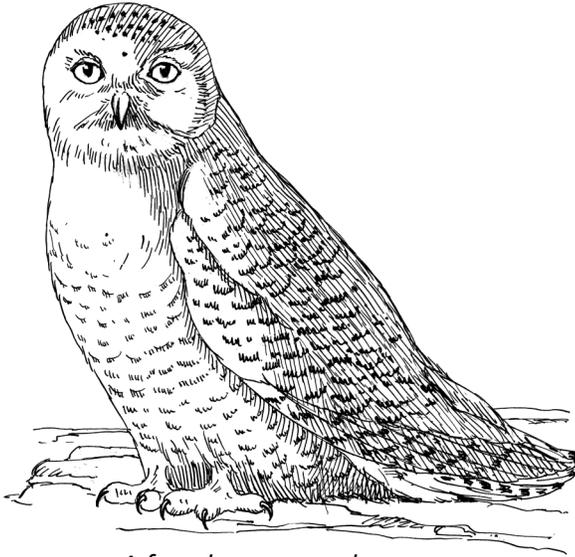


3. The Boreal Owl is a small owl that lives in the cold. Look at the feet—how does it keep them warm?

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4. Owls regurgitate (“throw up” - ew!) chunks of hair and bone from their food called pellets. There’s a pellet next to the Long-eared Owl. What do you see? Bones? Hair? Teeth?

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*A female snowy owl.*

5. Male snowy owls are all white, while females have lots of black spots. How many females can you find? Are there any males?

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6. There are many hawks in the case against the back wall (near the parrots). Write the name of your favorite hawk you find here.

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7. Beaks vary in shape and size. Draw two beaks from two different raptors and see how they compare! Be sure to write the name of the raptors.

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8. I am the symbol of our nation, and though I am not bald my white feathers make me look bald. Who am I?

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