

Friends of Madera Canyon Virtual Learning Project

Activities for “Madera Canyon: Proctor Trail Birds”:

(Enrichment activities to follow reading the story; help from teacher or parent recommended.)

- 1)** Make a list and write down all the words you do not know from the story. Then find and write down the definition of each word, using a dictionary. Practice reading each word and learn its meaning.

- 2)** Look up the birds in this story in a bird book, bird field guide, or on-line bird guide. Check to see if there is a difference in color/plumage between males & females. Also check if the young birds have different color/plumage from the adults.

- 3)** Draw and color a bird that you like from photos in the story, then write down three words that you think describe it best. Draw and color another type of bird from photos in the story and write down three words that describe it best.

- 4)** Draw and color a bird from the story in its Madera Canyon habitat (nature neighborhood) with other plants and animals that live there too.

- 5)** Choose a favorite bird from the photos in the story and write a report about it. Ask your teacher or parent to help you find information on-line or in books.

- 6)** (Advanced) Not all birds migrate the same way. “Research” and write a report about bird migration using birds from southeast Arizona that migrate differently. Focus on what time of year they migrate and where they go. Ask your teacher or parent to help you find information on-line or in books. Read the report to your class in school.