

Birds, Habitat, People: Recovering from the Deepwater Horizon Gulf Oil Spill Activity

Birds and Oil Student Worksheet #1

Part 1: Bird survival depends on healthy food, and safe nesting and roosting areas. In your study groups, read about a bird species listed below and answer the questions in the chart.

Part 2: Read the career profiles to learn about the people assisting in wildlife and habitat recovery. Record information below and discuss some of the things you learned about the different careers available in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

Bird Species	What does it eat? How does it feed?	What habitat does it use? (feeding, nesting, roosting)	When is it present in the Gulf? (year round, breeding, or non-breeding time)	How does the Gulf oil spill threaten this species?	Part 2: Record for each Career Profile— • Job Title • Oil spill duties • How does their work protect habitat & wildlife
Brown Pelican					
Laughing Gull					
American Oystercatcher					
Piping Plover					
Redhead Duck					