

We hope you enjoyed watching our Humane at Home episode about baby birds with Boo, our barn owl ambassador! Sometimes baby birds in the wild might need our help, but lots of times they don't. Complete the activities below to test your knowledge of baby birds!

Match the description below with the correct stage of a bird's development.

This baby bird might be hopping on the ground learning to fly but is still being cared for by mom and dad. Nestling

This baby bird is alert and starting to grow its feathers but isn't quite ready to leave the nest or be on its own. Hatchling

This baby bird has just emerged from its egg and is only a few hours old. Fledgling

**Can you spot the baby bird facts from the myths? Put a check mark next to the true statements and a big X next to the false ones!**     ✓ | X

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| If you touch a baby bird, the parents will reject it.   |  |
| If you can't locate a baby bird's nest, you can build your own using a berry basket or other container!                         |  |
| Hatchlings are old enough to be completely on their own and don't need any help if found on the ground.                         |  |
| If you see a fledgling bird on the ground who looks healthy and is not in danger, you should leave them alone!                  |  |
| The best thing to do before intervening on wildlife is wait, watch and do some research to make sure the animal needs our help! |  |
| Baby birds learn to fly straight from their nest; once they hop out of it, mom and dad stop taking care of them.                |  |

I pledge to be an advocate for all of the amazing wild animals that call San Diego home, like Boo the barn owl!

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