



Owls



The ancient Greeks believed that owls represent wisdom and knowledge. Their large eyes make them look especially wise.

Brown Owl

Brown Owl, Brown Owl, Hoo Hoo Hoo
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 We see you sitting in a tree
 Then you go HOO HOO at me!
 Brown Owl, Brown Owl, Hoo Hoo Hoo

Wide Eye Owl

There's a wide eye owl (make fingers in large circles and cup over eyes)
 With a pointed nose (use fingers to make a triangle & point out for nose)
 Two pointed ears (use fingers for ears) and claws for toes (wiggle fingers like toes)
 he lives way up in the tree (point up to tree top)
 and when he looks at you (point at kids)
 he flaps his wings (use arms for wings, and flap)
 and says whooo whooo (continue flapping wings)

Owl Jokes

Where do owls go to buy their young baby clothes?
To the owlet malls.

What is a Barn owl's favorite subject at school?
Owlgebra!

Why don't owls study for tests?
They prefer to wing it.



Owl Facts:

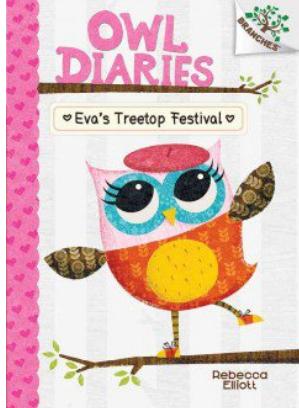
1. Many owl species have asymmetrical ears.
2. Owls can rotate their necks 270 degrees.
3. A group of owls is called a parliament.
4. The tiniest owl in the world is the Elf owl, which is 5-6 inches tall and weighs about 1.5 ounces. The largest North American owl, in appearance, is the Great Gray owl, which is up to 32 inches tall.
5. Northern Saw-whet owls can travel long distances over large bodies of water. One showed up 70 miles from shore near Montauk, New York.

Washington Owls:

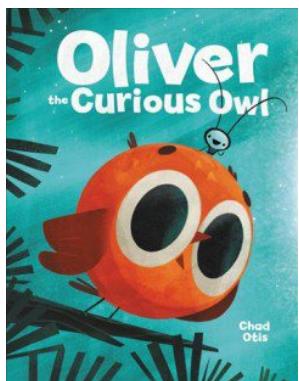
There are over 248 species of owls! Here are five that can be found in Washington state:

1. Northern Saw-whet
2. Boreal
3. Barn
4. Great Horned
5. Western Screech

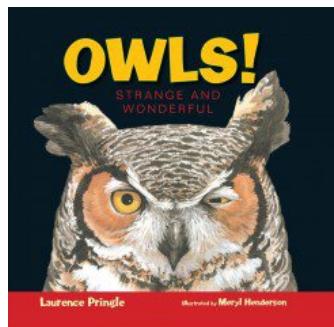
Suggested Reads:



Owl Diaries series
by Rebecca Elliott

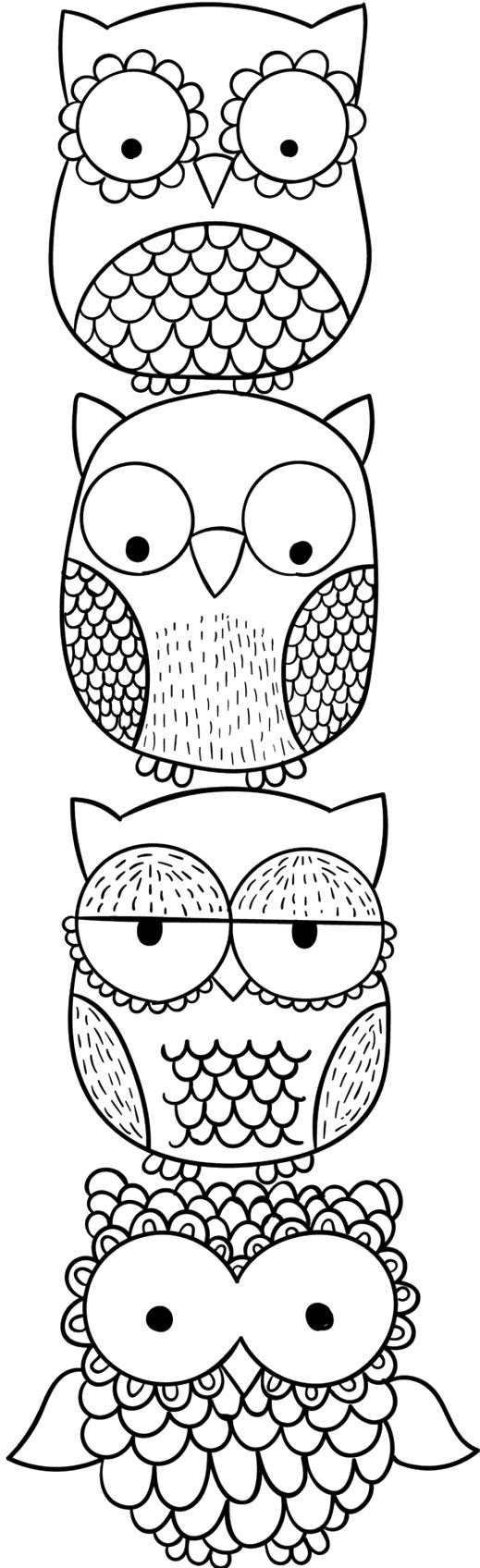


Oliver the Curious Owl
by Chad Otis



Owls by Laurence Pringle

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Torn Paper Owl

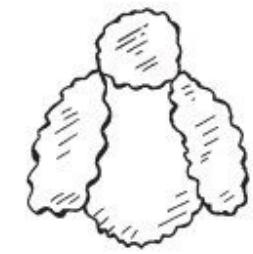
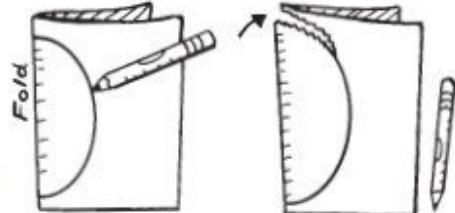
Materials:

- two 1.5 inch squares of black paper (for each owl's eyes)
- pencil
- construction paper of various colors
- glue sticks



Step by Step

1. Choose red, yellow, or orange paper for the owl's body. Fold the paper in half lengthwise. Use a pencil to draw a half-oval on the paper, starting and ending at the fold. Draw the shape as large as possible. Slowly tear along the lines through both layers of the folded paper. Unfold the paper to reveal a large oval.
2. Choose a color for the head. Fold the paper in half crosswise, draw a half-circle on it (starting and ending at the fold), and tear along the lines through both layers. Unfold the paper to reveal a circle.
3. Choose a color for the wings. Fold the paper in half lengthwise. Draw as large an oval as possible on the paper. Tear out the oval through both layers.
4. Place the owl's head and wings on the body. If you want to make any of the pieces smaller, simply tear them to the size you want. Then, glue the parts of the owl together.
5. Tear off the corners of each black square to make round eyes. Glue the eyes onto your owl.
6. Use your leftover scraps of paper to tear a beak, ear tufts, talons, and feathers to glue onto the owl.



One Step More

Roll several lengths of brown bulletin board paper to use as a tree trunk and branches. Crush the rolled paper and then assemble the pieces on a wall to create a tree. Attach the torn-paper owls to the branches.