

Listen to the sounds of Spring

Spring is such a 'noisy' time of year as hibernating animals awaken and migratory birds return, marking the end of winter.

This season brings warmer temperatures and an abundance of distinct sounds audible in every neighbourhood.

Have you listened to the gentle trickling of water as the snow quietly melts outside? Or the quiet drip-drip of icicles against the ground below? There's the distinctive "sleigh bells" chirping of the Spring peepers as they declare spring is here or the "conkaree" song of the Red Wing Blackbird signifying their return to the area.

What about sounds that are more blaring - like the screaming howl of a Red fox awakening in the forest or coyotes projecting their voices to make their howl sound like they are part of a large pack?

The 'noisy' possibilities are endless - what sounds of spring will you hear?

Nature Activity

Shhhh. Be still. Listen.

With so much happening during the spring season, there is no shortage of sounds to listen for - some familiar and others new.

Create your very own Sound Map and take note of the sounds you hear at different times of the day (dawn, mid-day and dusk), or as the seasons change. Every day will bring something new.

Create your own sound map.

Choose your very own special spot, where you can sit and listen. It could be your backyard, front step, driveway or even inside your home with a window open.

Mark an X in the middle of a blank piece of paper. The X represents where you're sitting.

Now close your eyes and listen closely to all the sounds around you.

Mark each sound you hear on your map, considering the distance and direction from where it's coming.

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