BIRDS OF MONTAUK CHECKLIST

Name: _____

Session 1 (S1):
Date: _____ Time:_____
Location: _____
Stationary or traveling: _____

Session 2 (S2): Date: _____
Time:_____ Location:
_____ Stationary
or traveling: _____

- **Choose your count site**: Find a place in your backyard, on the beach, or on a trail. You can stand still or take a walk and see what species you might encounter.
- **Count all the birds you see at your count site:** For each species, keep track of the maximum number of individuals visible at a time. The goal is to never count the same bird more than once. For any birds you cannot identify, take notes on the back of the page of their size, color, behavior, and what they sound like. Repeat for a second session. Mark the date, time, and location.
- **Report your counts:** Return a copy of your checklist to the library within 2 weeks of your count and receive a Montauk Library Bird Club button. Students in grades 7+ can receive 2 hours of community service credits for completing two 15-minute counts. If you require community service hours, please see the children's department.
- The images below are just some of the species you might see. For a full list, ask a librarian for a field guide recommendation.

Backyard Birds

Blue jay
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Northern cardinal
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Black-capped chickadee
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Song sparrow
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Tufted titmouse
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

House finch
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

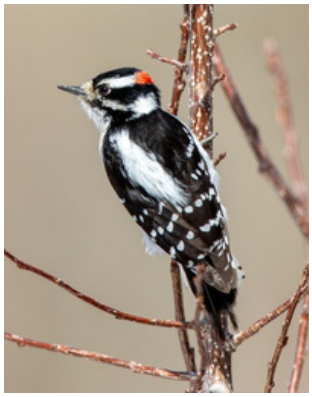
American goldfinch
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

White-throated sparrow
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Forest and Prairie Birds

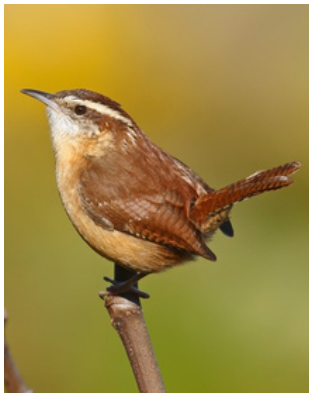
Eastern towhee
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Red-bellied woodpecker
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Downy woodpecker
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Northern flicker
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Carolina wren
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

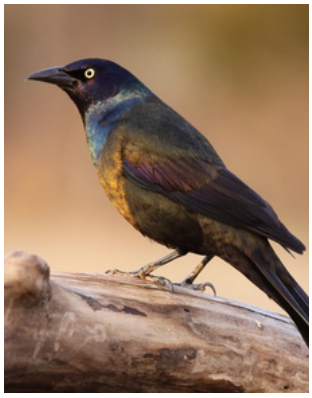
Gray catbird
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Northern mockingbird
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

American robin
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Wild turkey
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

American crow
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Common grackle
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Brown-headed cowbird
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Notes & other species seen: _____

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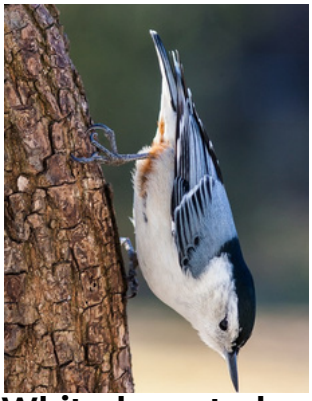
Forest and Prairie Birds (continued)

Baltimore oriole
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



White-breasted nuthatch
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Eastern phoebe
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Great-crested flycatcher
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Red-tailed hawk
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Eastern bluebird
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Mourning dove
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Hermit thrush
S1 Count:
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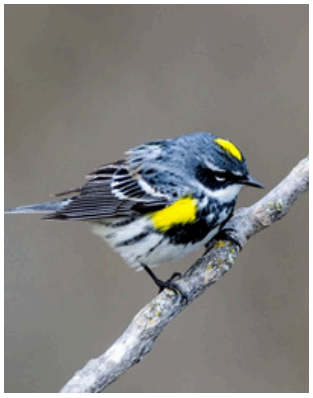

Yellow-rumped warbler
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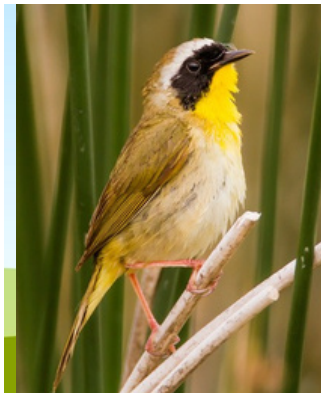
S2 Count:

Yellow warbler
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Common yellowthroat
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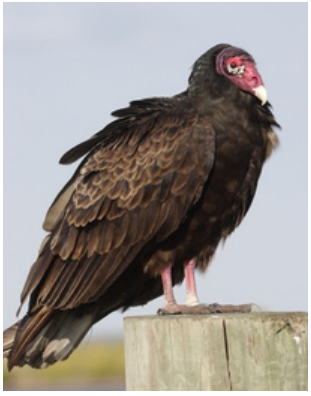

Turkey vulture
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Notes & other species seen: _____

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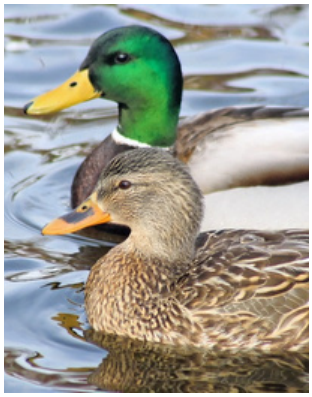
Wetland Birds

Red-winged blackbird
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Great blue heron
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

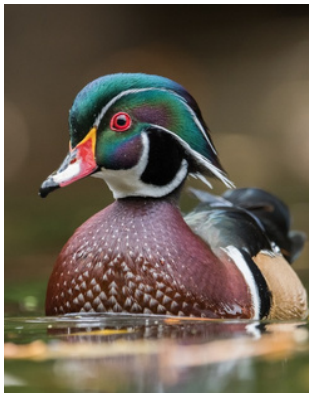
Great egret
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Snowy egret
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Mallard
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

American black duck
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Wood duck
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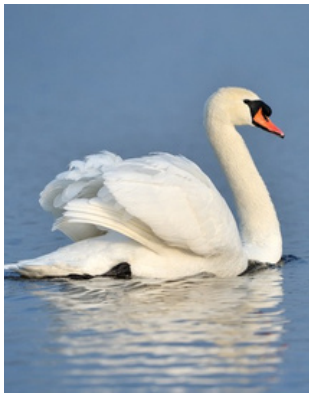
S2 Count:



Mute swan
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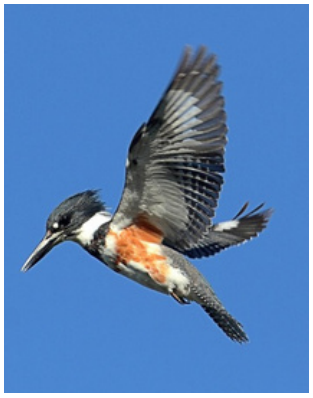
S2 Count:



Belted kingfisher
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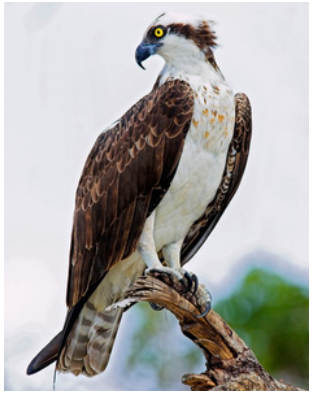
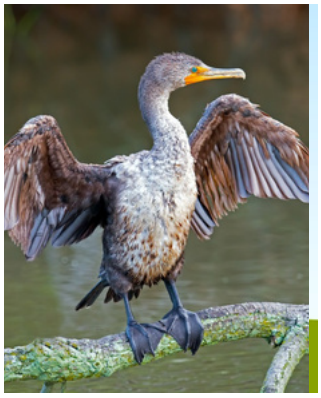
S2 Count:



Osprey
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Bald eagle
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Double - crested cormorant
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Notes & other species seen: _____

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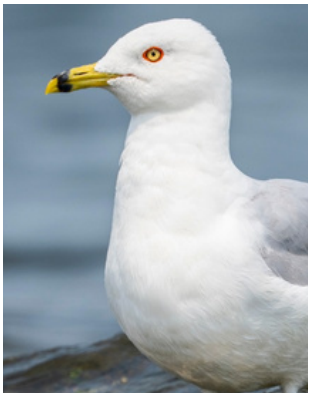
Shorebirds and Gulls

Herring gull
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Great black-backed gull
S1 Count: S2 Count:



Ring-billed gull
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Laughing gull
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Common tern
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

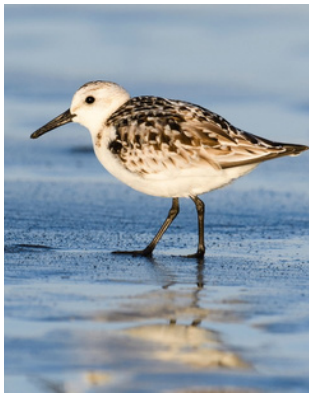
Least tern
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Willet
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Ruddy turnstone
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Piping plover
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Black-bellied plover
S1 Count:
S2 Count:



Sanderling
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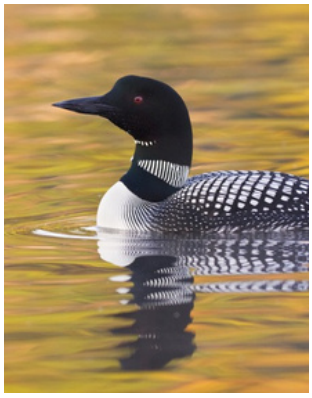
S2 Count:



Common loon
S1 Count:
S2 Count:

Notes & other species seen: _____

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Use this space to draw any species you could not identify.

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