

# Bird Model

#### Materials

- feathers
- assortment of paper scraps

#### For each child:

- small handful of play dough
- two 3" lengths of pipe cleaner
- two paper triangle shapes ("wings")
- small paper triangle shape ("beak")

#### Preparation

1. Prepare enough play dough in advance for each child to have one small handful.
2. Set out feathers and various materials on the work table.

Children make a model of a bird using play dough and various other materials.

#### Procedure

1. Say: **Today we are going to make a model of a bird.**
2. **Think about the shapes of a bird's body. Is it round? Listen to children's responses. Yes. Let's mold some of your play dough into that round ball shape. Use the rest of the play dough to make a small round head for a bird.**
3. **What are the other parts of a bird's body? Listen to children's responses. Yes, birds have a beak, two wings, two feet and feathers.**
4. Give each child a small handful of play dough. Allow them to freely create their version of a bird. Assist as needed.

