

Activity Name:

HOW MANY PEREGRINES?

RESOURCES FOR THE ACTIVITY:

- Pictures of peregrine falcons' nest and other bird nests
- Screen shots and photographs on www.flickr.com/groups/derbyperegrines
- Hula hoop, A3 paper with a circle, or a box
- Bean bags, ping pong balls or pictures of eggs



BRIEF ACTIVITY OUTLINE:

Learning how to do our multiples

MOST SUITABLE FOR:

KS1 and KS2

CURRICULUM AREA LINKS:

Science and Maths



SETTING THE SCENE:

Start the lesson by showing children a picture of a peregrine in a nest (this can be shown on flicker)

- Ask what they think it is?
- Ask what is different about this nest?
- Who does it belong to?
- Why do they think it's different to other nests?



RUNNING THE ACTIVITY:

In this lesson the hoop is a nest and the bean bag is an egg. Each student has a chance to try and throw the bean bag into the nest. For each child that gets it in, make a note of it on a whiteboard or on individual paper per child. Once every child has thrown a bean bag, count how many eggs were in the nest.

Either explain or ask questions (dependent on class ability) on why a bird wouldn't have that many chicks at once and they are most likely to have two chicks to four chicks in each nest. However, other birds can have a different numbers of chicks.

Lay multiple hoops out and explain that each hoop is a different nest. Get the children to place 3, 5, 6 or 7 bean bags in the hoop. Get the children then to count in multiples as a class.

THE NEXT STEP

Ask the children to complete the 'Multiples Activity Sheet'. You could print out a nest and some eggs for each child for them to physically do the multiples.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES:

Get the children to create their own questions about multiples. You then can answer them as a class. Ask why they think eggs are important.

You could get the children to design their own nests.

Have a look at the colour of the eggs, how are they different?

Ask the children what they think eggs are made out of.

They are made from calcium, the same as our teeth.

Look at other birds' nests and eggs. How are they different?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WhY5nlxptqM (Robin Nest time lapse) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yzQ1063PkGw (Blue Tit time lapse)