

Rhythmic Beat of “Fascinating Birds” Jazz Chant

(For Teacher Reference)

***Note to Teachers:** A jazz chant has a four-beat rhythm: 1, 2, 3, 4. Each beat is in bold print and will be a stressed word, a stressed syllable, or a pause marked by a clap. Practice saying and clapping the rhythm of the chant to yourself before introducing it to the students.*

Beaks can peck **holes** in **trees** (clap)

Feet can grab **fish** from **lakes** (clap)

Powerful beaks, powerful feet

Fascinating strong birds (clap)

Feathers can **glide** like a **sled** (clap)

Wings allow **birds** to **fly** (clap)

Amazing feathers, amazing wings

Fascinating interesting birds!

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