

Speaker: Lingokids.

Speaker 1: What a beautiful day.

Speaker 2: Yes, perfect time to play some sports, and--

Speaker 1: Whoa, slow down, Billy. What's wrong? Where were you?

[chirping]

Speaker 3: What? You found a little red bird with black wings?

[chirping]

Speaker 2: And it's thirsty and weak?

Speaker 1: Oh, no. Where?

[chirping]

Oh, behind those big green bushes over there. Let's go see. Oh, look, there he is. Let's help him. Quick, let's get some water.

Speaker 3: Oh, good, he's drinking. Great thinking, Lisa.

[chirping]

Speaker 2: You're welcome, birdie. It's lucky Billy found you.

Speaker 1: What's your name? Why are you here?

[chirping]

Speaker 2: Nice to meet you, Harry.

Speaker 1: You're migrating? What does that mean?

Speaker 3: That's a great question. Let's find out together. Welcome to Stories for Kids by Lingokids, where we discover fascinating facts about the world around us and the fun of play learning. Let's see how we can help Harry, the birdie, and maybe he'll teach us something about migration.

Speaker 2: Migration? What does it mean?

Speaker 3: Well, when it gets cold, many birds leave their homes to find a place to stay where it's warmer, and where they can find more food. That's migration.

Speaker 1: Billy migrates from his bedroom to the kitchen when he's hungry?

[chirping]

Speaker 3: Well, migration usually involves a very long journey. Some birds can fly thousands of miles during their migration.

Speaker 2: Whoa, that sounds far.

Speaker 1: Doesn't sound like a fun vacation.

Speaker 2: You traveled all that way, Harry?

[chirping]

Speaker 2: Well, no wonder you're tired and thirsty.

Speaker 3: It's not an easy journey. Most birds make a few stops along the way to their final destination, but when the stops are big cities, that can be extra hard.

Speaker 2: Can we make a birdhouse so Harry can have some rest?

Speaker 3: That's a nice idea, Elliot.

[chirping]

Speaker 2: What do you mean, you're in a hurry to find your friends?

Speaker 1: Hundreds of bird friends?

Speaker 3: Oh, dear, that's why you're here, isn't it, Harry? You got lost and separated from your bird friends, and now you don't know where they are.

Speaker 2: Why did you get lost?

[chirping]

Speaker 1: Oh, you were all flying through downtown.

Speaker 3: That makes sense. Birds are wonderful navigators, which means they are very good at finding their way, but it's harder to navigate in cities, because there are many tall buildings and bright lights, which can make things very confusing.

Speaker 2: We can help you, Harry.

Speaker 1: Yes, we'll help you find your bird friends. Where could they be? They must be somewhere near downtown.

Speaker 3: Well, buildings and city streets aren't very good homes for birds. They need trees and open spaces. Places where they can find seeds and insects to feed on, as well.

Lingokids listeners, can you think of a place in the city that has lots of trees and open spaces?

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Speaker 2: Yes, a park.

Speaker 1: There's a park downtown, where I go to play soccer. It's very big and has lots of trees.

Speaker 2: Harry's friends are probably resting there.

Speaker 3: Good thinking. Let's take Harry over there now, and help him find his friends.

[chirping]

Speaker 2: We're here. So many trees and bushes. Do you hear that?

Speaker 1: Lots and lots of birds singing. Those must be Harry's friends. We must be close.

Speaker 2: There they are, in the trees.

Speaker 1: Little red birds with black wings, just like you, Harry. I'm so glad we found them.

[chirping]

Speaker 3: You can rest here at the park for a while before you continue your journey.

Speaker 1: Can we plant more trees for Harry and his friends so that they have more places to rest the next time they visit?

Speaker 3: That's a great idea. We can build more birdhouses in our backyard, too, in case other little birds get lost during their journeys. Anything to make our cities more bird-friendly.

[chirping]

Speaker 2: You're welcome, Harry. Come back to see us again.

Speaker 3: Thank you, Lingokids listeners, for joining us and helping Harry find his bird friends. We had a great time learning about migration and about what we can do to make sure that birds have more safe places to stop during their long journeys. If you are ready for interactive play learning time, explore our Lingokids app. It offers fun and educational songs and games to help kids ages two and older learn and develop important skills, such

as communication, collaboration, critical thinking, and creativity. That's the power of play learning. ~~See you in our next episode.~~

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