

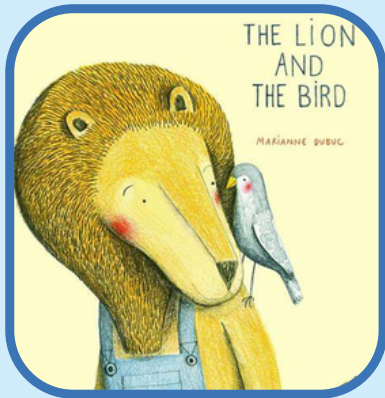
## BOOK OF THE MONTH:

### The Lion and the Bird

by Marianne Dubuc

Ages 3-7

#### 1. Introducing the book:



#### Exploring the Cover

Who are the two animals depicted on the cover? Can they be the lion and the bird that the story is named after? Do they look like they get along well? What do you think their story is about?

#### Building Background

Talk to the children about migrating birds and the change of seasons. Explain why some birds have to leave for the winter and some have to stay. What season is it now? How is the weather changing?

Great resource to explore with older children is this interactive bird migration map:

 [Bird Migration Explorer](#)

#### 2. Reading the book:

As you read the story, notice the changes in the weather and in the Lion's garden.

What are the activities the Lion does in autumn/winter/spring/summer?

Is the Lion kind to the Bird? Can you name the kind things he does for Bird?

#### 3. After reading the book:



#### Help the Birds

As the winter approaches, it becomes harder for birds to find food and prepare for the cold.

Here is how you can help them:

- Put a birdfeeder outside and fill it with food

Birds love seeds, especially sunflower seeds. It's so fun to watch them while they eat. You can also try to identify the birds.

- Water to drink/birdbath

Fill a shallow dish with water and change it regularly. Help the birds keep their feathers clean.

- Keep it warm

Birds will be looking for warm things for their nests. If you have a furry pet at home, you can brush them well and leave tufts of hair outside for birds to collect – stick it in the cracks of tree bark, on fences or leave a bit next to the birdfeeder.



#### Giving Tuesday

November 29th is Giving Tuesday. Involve children in the charity movement for teachable moments about kindness. It doesn't have to be monetary – you can pick and choose something that works for you from numerous options.

 [Giving Tuesday](#)

#### References and resources

- Bird Migration Explorer  
<https://explorer.audubon.org/home?threatOverlay=expand>
- Giving Tuesday  
<https://new-project-5a3111.webflow.io/>

#### Legend



Cognitive



Socio-emotional



Language



Physical