** Critter Characteristics & Habitats:**

**Eastern Bluebird**

*Caution – Be careful not to harm any wildlife or their habitats.*

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| Name: | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |

Explore your outdoor classroom and look for an Eastern bluebird.

Use the Alabama Wildlife Federation’s Wonders of Wildlife

Eastern Bluebird webpage to help you answer the questions below.

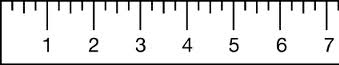
1. **Draw a picture of the animal.**

1. **What colors does it have?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

black blue brown gray green orange purple red yellow white

1. **How many legs does it have?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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1. **Estimate how long (or tall) it is: \_\_\_\_\_\_**feet **\_\_\_\_\_**inches

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| **5. Put a checkmark next to the feature(s) it has.**   |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | * Fur | * Feathers | * Thin Wings | * Hard Covering | | * Hard Shell | * lizard clipartScales | * Smooth Skin | * Bristles | |

**6. What type of animal is it?**

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| * bird | * reptile | * amphibian | * mammal | * insect | * http://static.abcteach.com/content_preview/e/earthworm_p.pngother invertebrate |

**7. What type of “babies” does it have?**

* Live baby (not in egg) that looks similar to parent *(typically a mammal)*
* Hard-shelled eggs with babies that look similar to parent *(typically a bird or reptile)*
* “Soft” tiny eggs in water with larvae that change (morph) into adult *(amphibian or insect)*
* “Soft” tiny eggs on plants or in soil with larvae that change (morph) into adult *(insect)*

**8. What is the Latin name of this animal?**

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**9. Where does this animal typically live?** *(you can choose more than one)*

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| * grassland | * tundra | * desert | * woodland | * meadow | * wetland |
| * creek | * pond/lake | * river | * ocean | * other:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ | |

**10. Where did you find it in the outdoor classroom?**

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| * in the grass | * on the ground | * in the soil | * in a tree or bush | * in water   or a pond | * on a flower | * in nesting box |

**11. Describe its habitat needs including the specific food, water, shelter and places to raise its young it needs to survive:**

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