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Editorial Review

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Ages 5[^]-8. Using a friendly, informal tone and strategic questioning, Garelick leads readers naturally to the discovery of what makes a bird a bird. "Is [a bird] a bird because it flies?" poses the author. Instead of a hasty, authoritative no, Garelick provides examples like butterflies, bats, flying fish--all of whom fly but are not birds--and chickens and ostriches who are birds but cannot fly. She continues the questioning, gently nudging readers toward the conclusion that the quality unique to birds is not wings, singing, or nest building, but having feathers. Readers will not only learn about birds and other creatures with similar qualities, but they will also get a thorough workout in the reasoning involved in classification. This is excellent for reading aloud, too. Its questions, suspense, and up-close, realistic illustrations should elicit plenty of audience participation. *Julie Yates Walton*

Review

What Makes A Bird A Bird? leads the young reader (ages 5-10) to discover, using the scientific approach, what the nature of birds are, what, in fact, differentiates birds from other animals -- including those that fly! This lively title is packed with accurate, detailed illustrations by Trish Hill that are as lush and brightly-colored as the birds themselves. May Garelick's text is clear and ideally suited for its intended young and curious readership! It's "big book" format (16x18) is ideally suited for classroom as well as community library special event programs. -- *Midwest Book Review*

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