

# CANADIAN BOREAL BIRDS

The boreal forest covers one third of Canada's land mass, is used by nearly half of the birds in North America each year and contains wetlands that filter millions of litres of water a day.

## 1 VIDEO. Watch the video and comment.

### The boreal forest

#### Audioscript

*Moose, lynx, wolves, martens and other wildlife make their home in the boreal forest. It's also a summer home for over 30% of North America's songbirds. Canada's boreal covers more than half of this country's landmass and is part of an even larger global ecosystem. The size and diversity of the boreal are awesome. It's even more amazing when we think of all the life it supports. With its trees, grass and wetlands, the boreal supports insects, plants and animals, as well as rural and Aboriginal communities. So, how do we ensure that the ecosystem in the boreal forest continues to meet the needs of those who rely on it? Balance. That's right: by balancing the needs of nature with the needs of people and communities, we can continue to support Canadian wildlife for generations to come, and that's just a start.*

*To learn more about the wonders of the boreal forest, visit [hww.ca](http://hww.ca).*

## 2 Suggested activity: make a research about wildlife in your region and how local administrations take care and protect biodiversity.

