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Feathers are easy to find, even in towns, as birds moult at least once a year. Feathers may also be left behind after an animal has eaten a bird.

As you collect the feathers you will see that apart from having different colours, there are also several different types of feather,

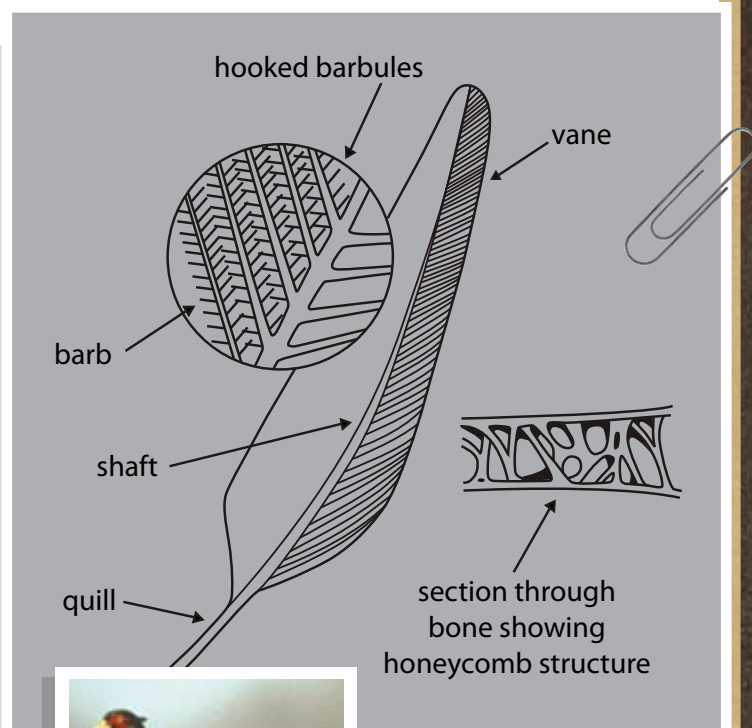
1. Stiff-pointed PRIMARY feathers from the wing tip.
2. SECONDARY, less pointed feathers from the wing edge
3. Small CONTOUR feathers from the surface of the body

Long TAIL feathers, easily recognised as the central rib or shaft runs down the middle (in flight feathers, the shaft is markedly off centre)

The area in which you find the feathers such as forest, beach, etc will give you a clue as to what bird they came from.

Fix your feathers in a book and record details of the type of feather, where it was found and the species of bird.

Here are some feathers you may find locally.

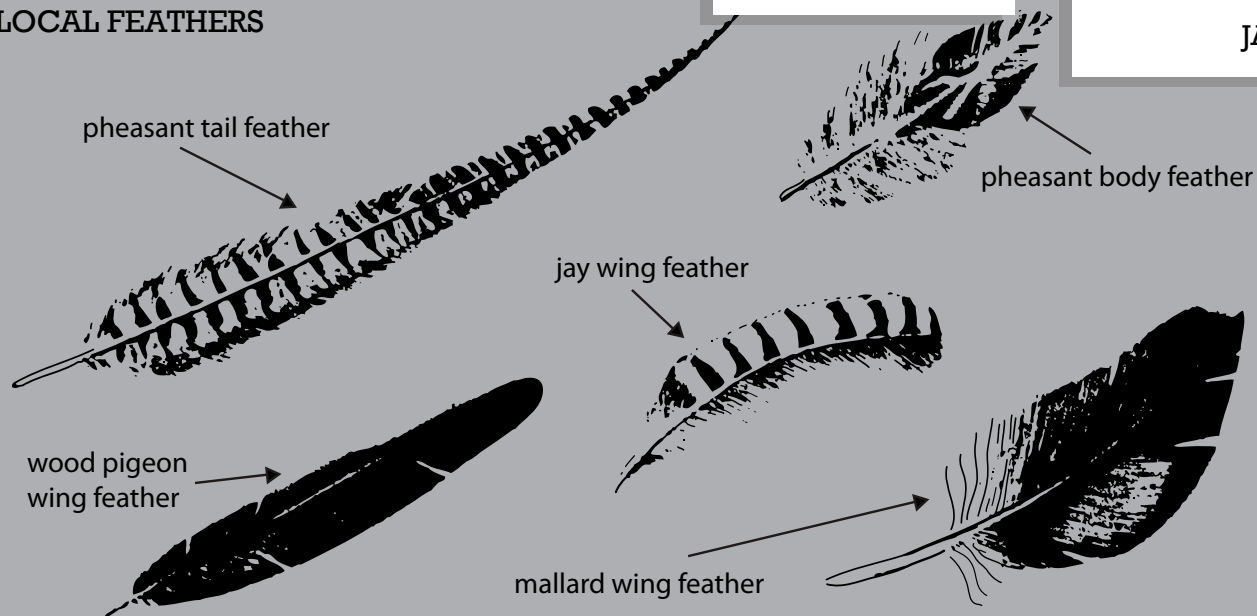


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