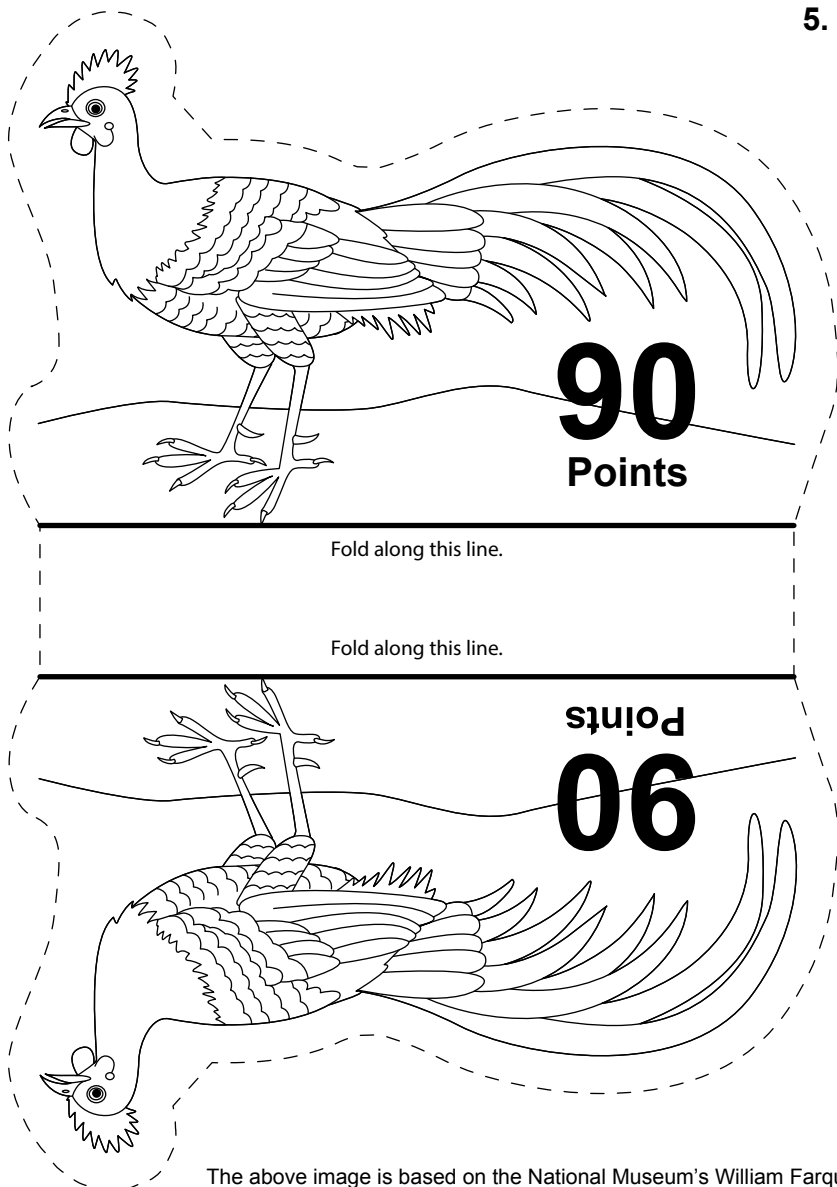


Be A Creative Toymaker: Hoop Throwing Game

Many variations of the hoop throwing game can be found across history and cultures, but they all involve throwing hoops over pins of a particular design to score points.

This game on display in the National Museum was played by children growing up in 1950s Singapore.

Add colour to these five illustrated birds, inspired by the museum's William Farquhar Collection of Natural History Drawings, to create your own hoop throwing game!



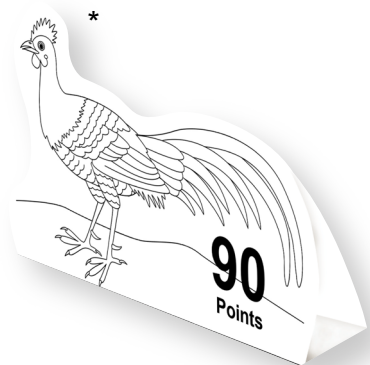
The above image is based on the National Museum's William Farquhar Collection of Natural History Drawings.

Instructions:

1. Colour in these birds. Watch our video for inspiration!
2. Cut out the birds along the dotted lines, and fold along the bold lines.
3. Glue the tops of the birds together to make them stand as shown below.*
4. Cut out the hoop.

(Tip: To create a sturdier hoop, stick the hoop template onto a thicker piece of paper or cardboard, such as from a recycled cereal box, before cutting out the hoop.)

5. Let's play!

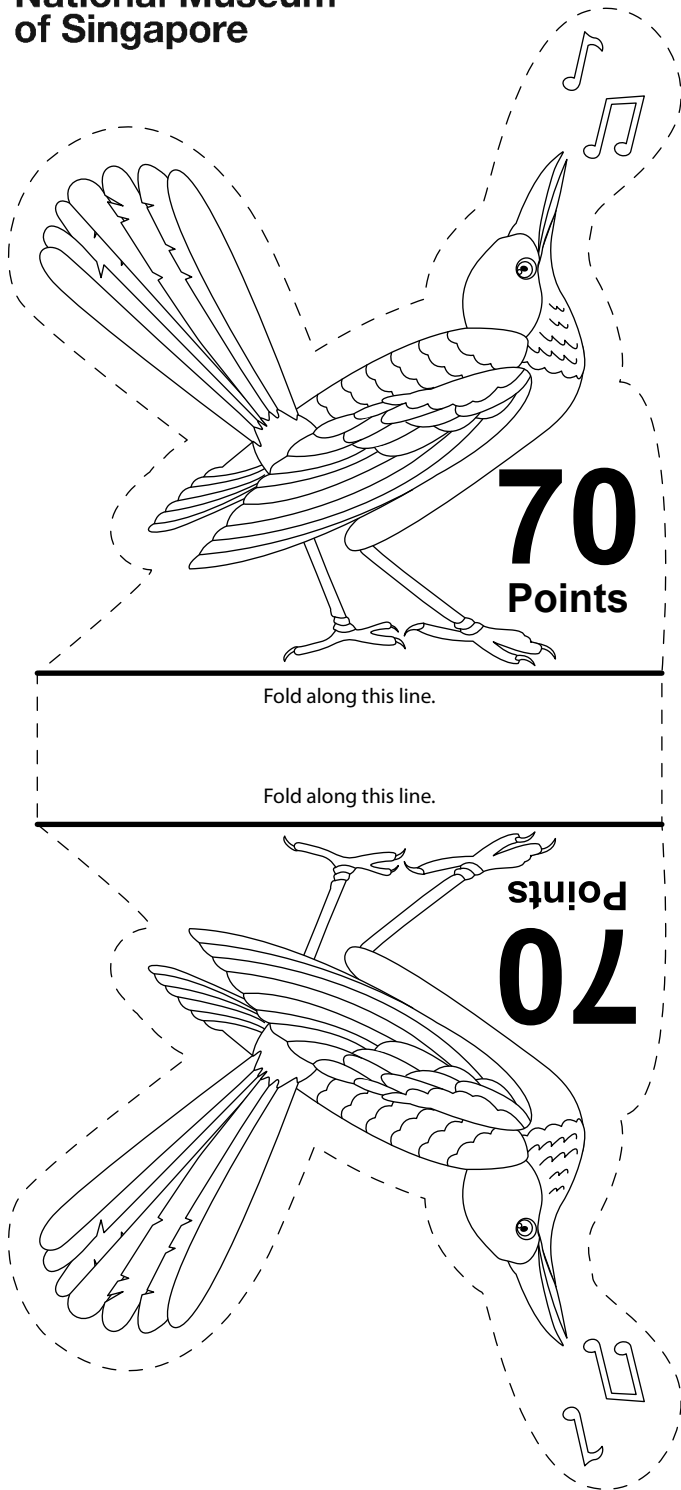


Red Junglefowl

I am a wild ancestor of the domestic chicken.

As a male Red Junglefowl, I have a distinctive red comb on my head and a white patch on my lower back.

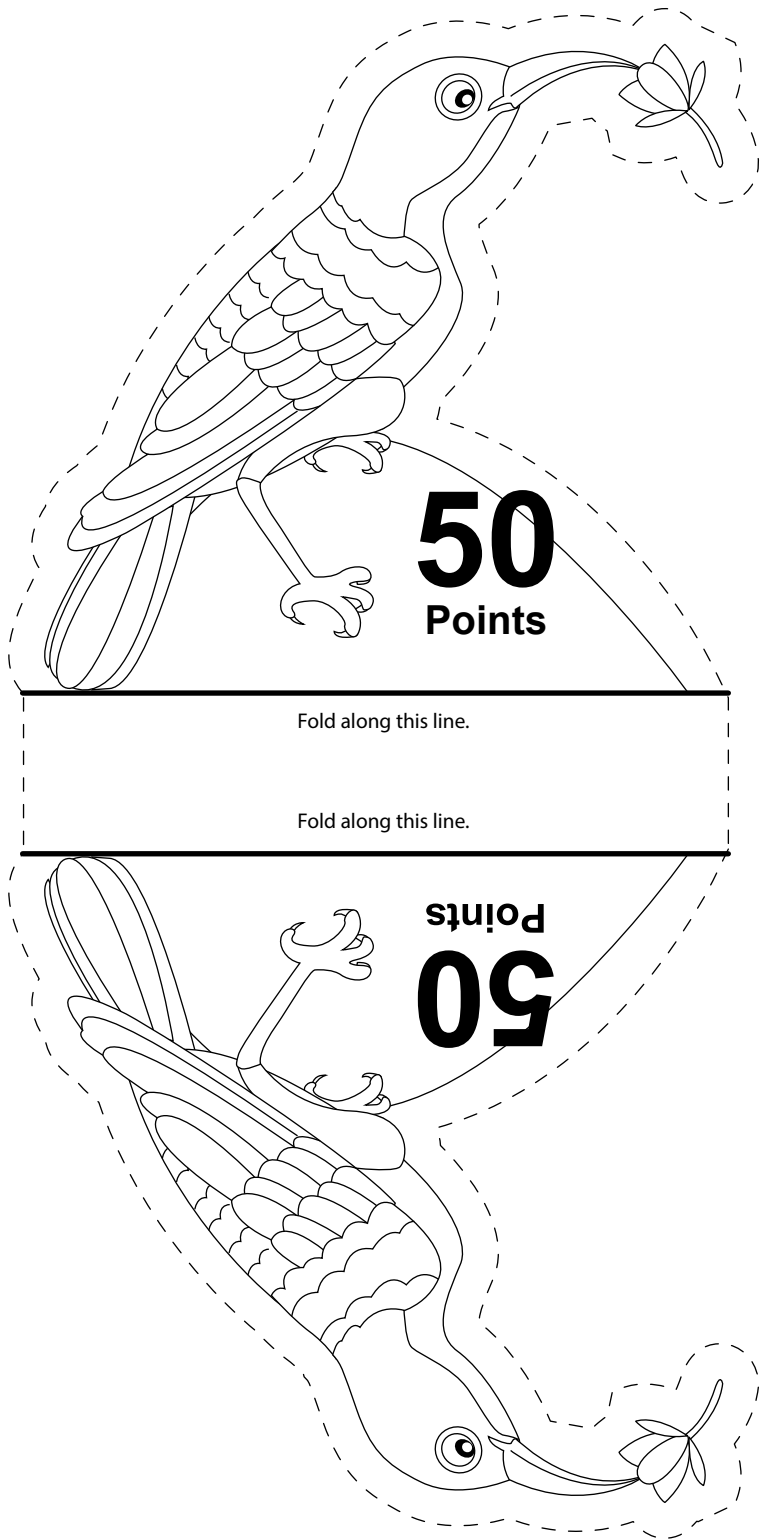
These days, you may be able to spot me in coastal parks such as Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and Pasir Ris Park, and even near the National Museum of Singapore!



Magpie Robin

I am a medium-sized bird, and am usually between 19 and 21cm in length! You can recognise me by my loud melodious singing and long tail.

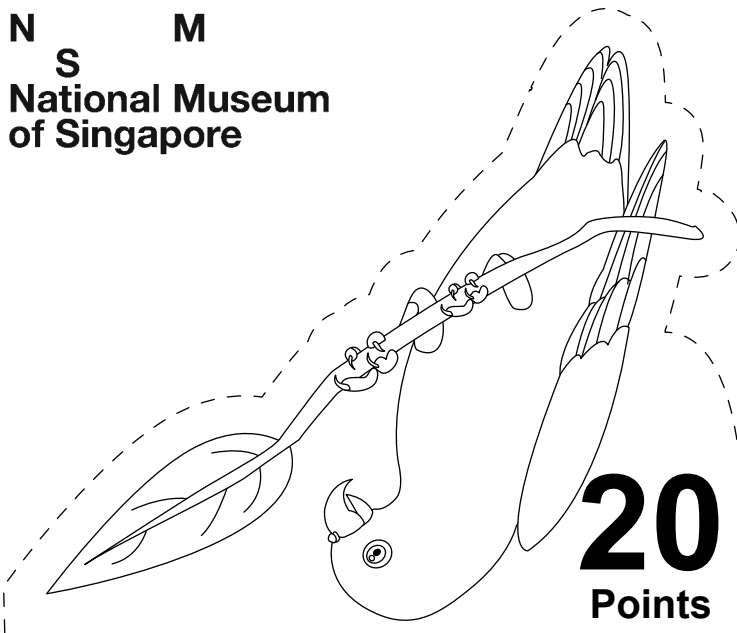
Very few of us can be found in Singapore today, as a result of illegal poaching and loss of natural habitats. These days, I can be found in Pulau Ubin, Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve and Sentosa!



Brown-throated Sunbird

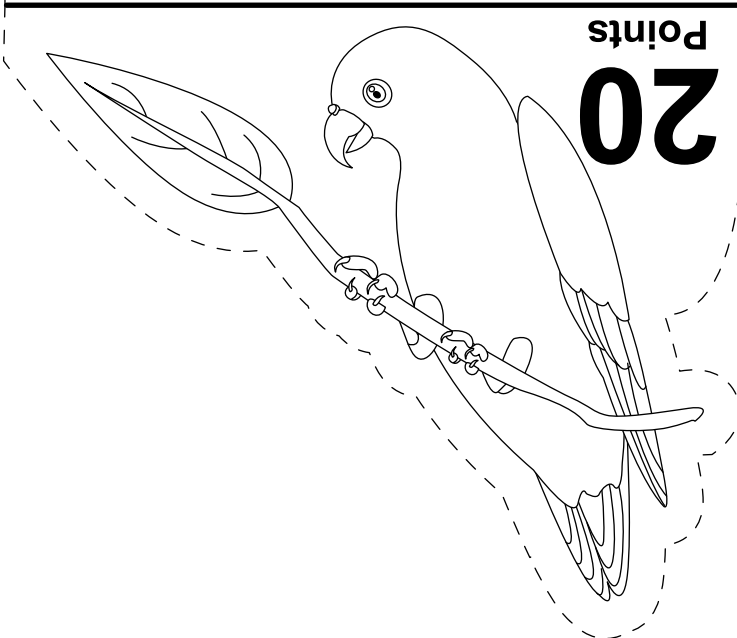
I am one of the most common species of sunbirds in Singapore. My bill curves downwards, and I have a tube-shaped tongue that allows me to reach into flowers to feed on their nectar. In this way, I also help flowers to transfer their pollen to nearby flowers so that more can grow.

My nest is usually built in a shape of a pouch and constructed from leaves, grass and spiderweb, with a side entrance.



Fold along this line.

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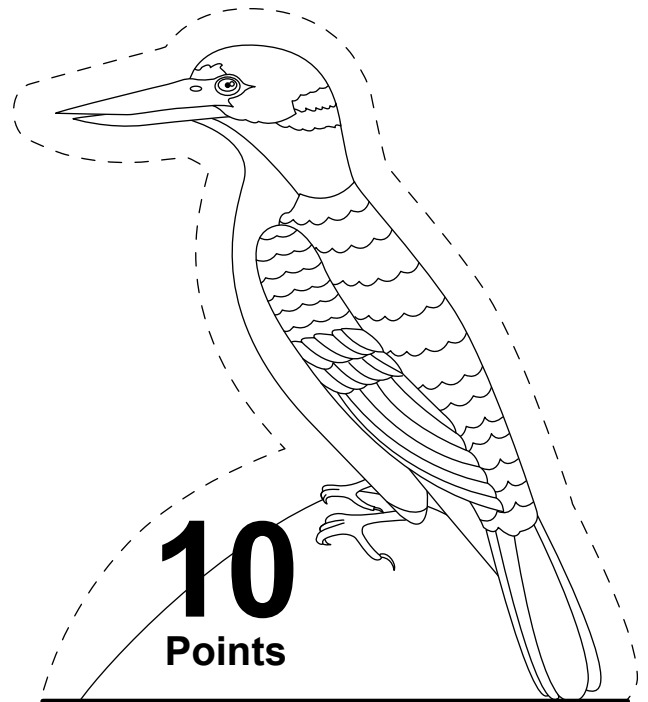


Blue-crowned Hanging Parrot

My name is derived from two special traits that I have – a beautiful blue crown and a quirky habit of hanging upside down!

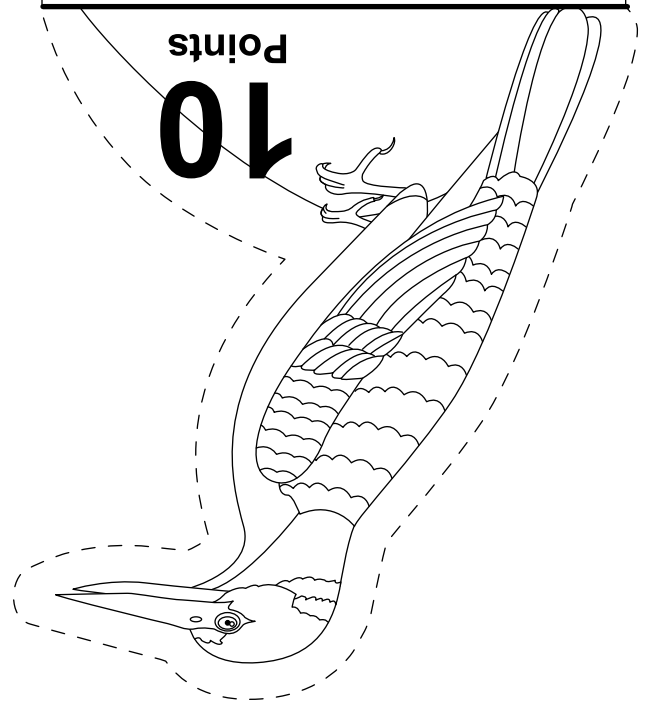
I am one of the smallest species of parrots in Singapore, and am usually between 12 and 14cm in length.

As I fly away very quickly, it can be extremely difficult to spot me. You will know that I am near when you hear my distinctly sharp call, accompanied by short tweedles!



Fold along this line.

Fold along this line.



Collared Kingfisher

I am a medium-sized bird, and am usually between 24 and 26cm in length. You can recognise me by my distinctive turquoise-coloured feathers and head, as well as my white belly. My diet includes fish, lizards, insects and crabs.

I was featured on the \$10 note in the Bird Series of Singapore currency issued between 1976 and 1984! These days, you can find me in gardens, parks, waterbodies in forests and mangroves in Singapore.

Template for Hoop

