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## Student Journal: Create a Field Journal ✓Nestlings

*Include in your field journal the following information:*

**Name:**

**Date:**

**Location:**

**Weather:**

**Habitat:**

**Observations:**

**Thoughts and/or Feelings:**

**Sketches:**

**What questions did you come up with from your observations?**

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## Creating a Grinnellian Field Journal

As you set up your journal, use this format as a guide.

**Annotations:**

- Date:** Points to the date entries (Jan 10, Jan 25, Feb 15).
- Your Name & Year:** Points to the name and year entries (Matsumoto, Karen 1975).
- Location (squiggly line):** Points to the underlined location descriptions.
- Species (straight line):** Points to the species name "Brown Towhee" and "Tanicha javosa".
- Diagrams:** Points to the sketches of a bird's head movements and a tree frog.

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### Field Journal Tips

*Use the following information and bird vocabulary to help you when you write in your journal.*

#### ***Bird Identification– What did the bird look like?***

1. *Silhouette*: Body and tail shape, length of bill, etc.
2. *Field marks*: Feather coloration, wing bars or patches (see below Bird Body Parts).
3. *Posture*: Was the bird sitting upright or vertical or perching horizontally?
4. *Size*: Was the bird small like a finch or large like a hawk?

#### ***Bird Behavior– What was the bird doing?***

1. *Foraging*: Another word for feeding. Describe what it is feeding on.
2. *Flocking*: More than three birds together in a group. Describe flock size.
3. *Preening*: Cleaning their feathers with their bill.
4. *Flying*: Describe whether the bird is soaring, hovering, flapping, or gliding.
5. *Singing*: Long, complex musical notes sung only by male birds.
6. *Calling*: Short, simple notes made by both males and female birds.

#### ***Bird Body Parts:***

