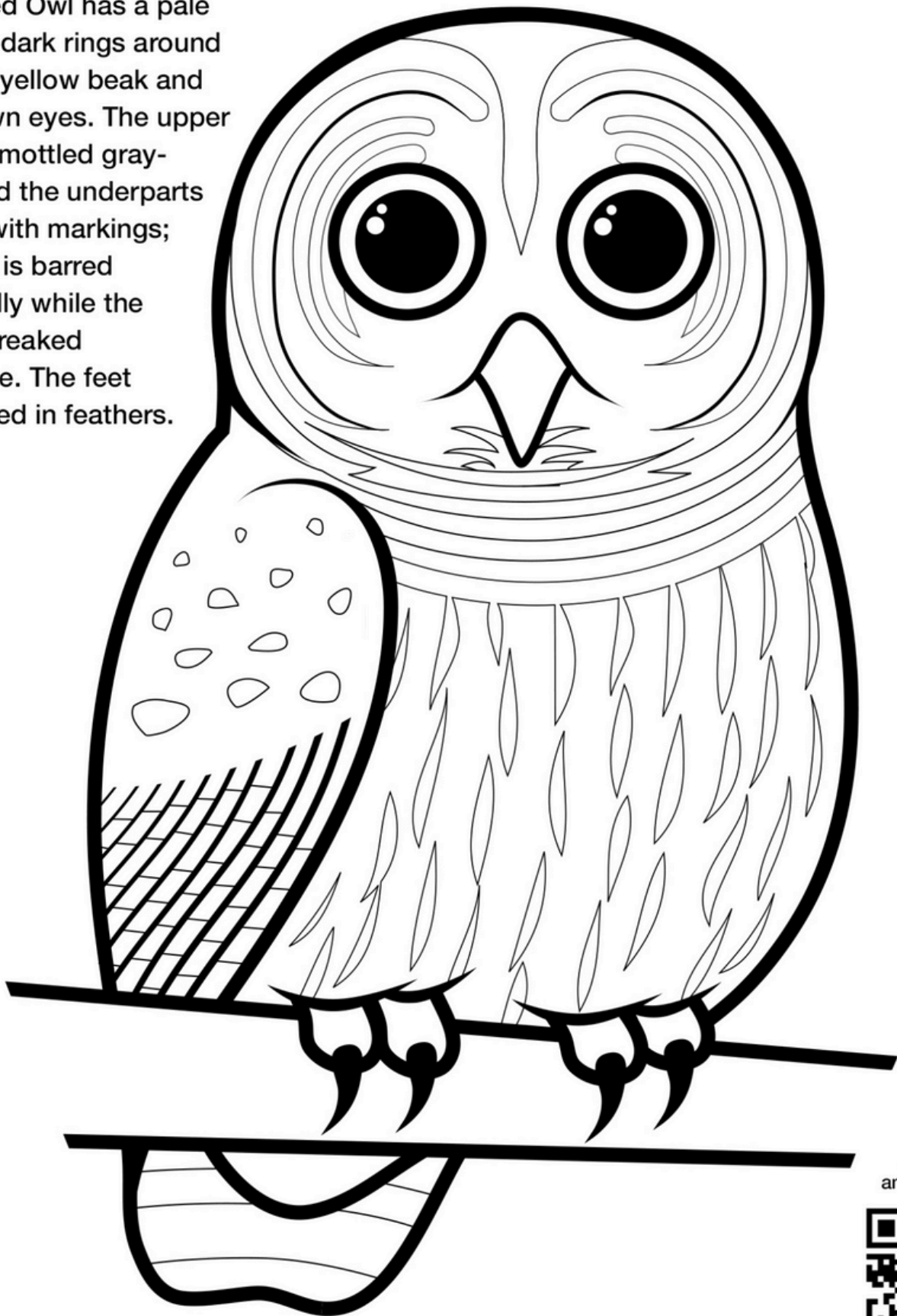


Barred Owl

The Barred Owl has a pale face with dark rings around the eyes, yellow beak and dark brown eyes. The upper parts are mottled gray-brown and the underparts are light with markings; the chest is barred horizontally while the belly is streaked lengthwise. The feet are covered in feathers.



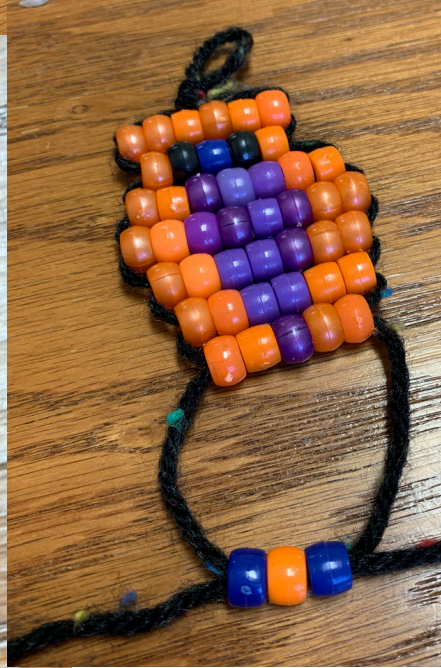
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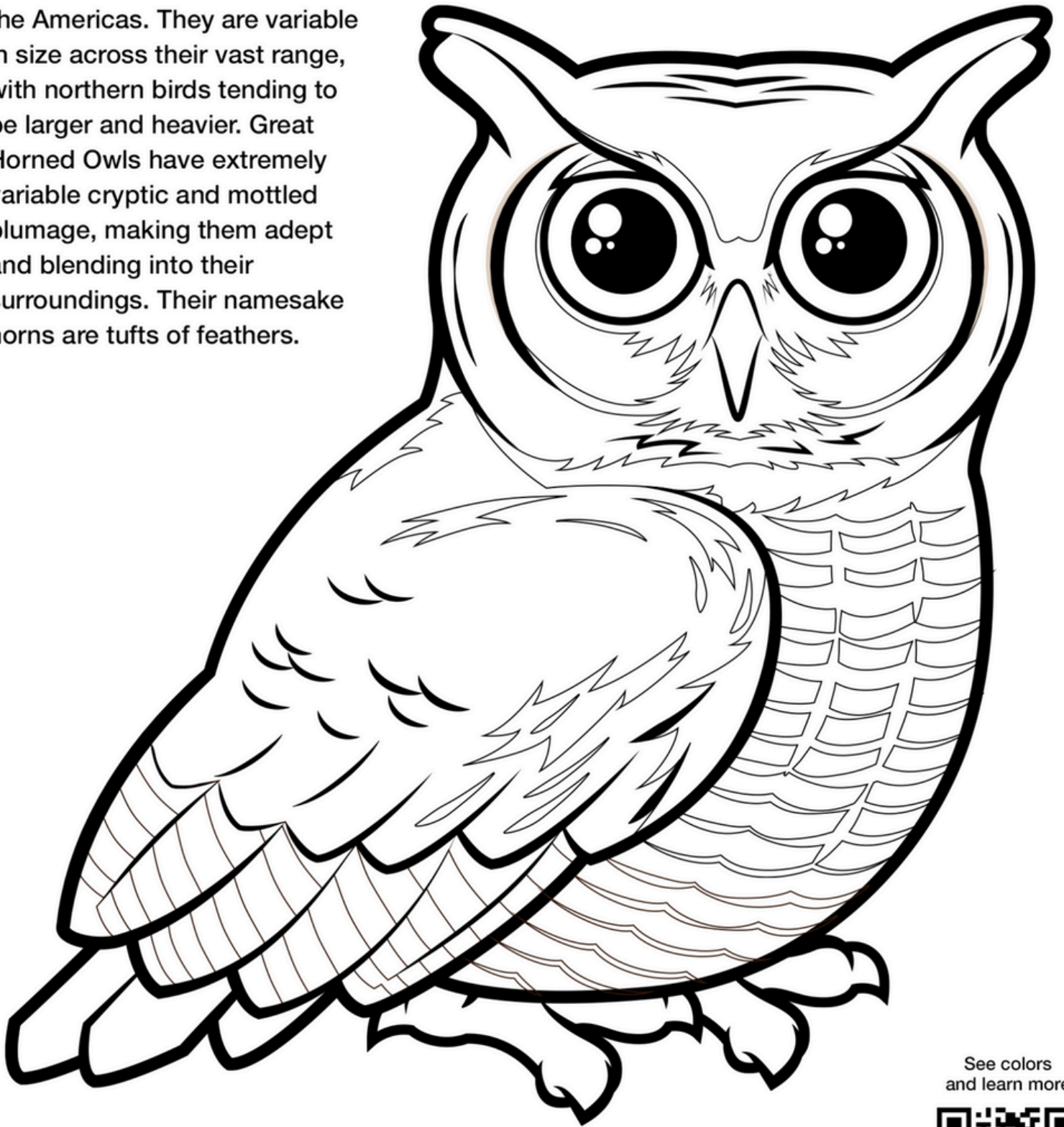
Owl Craft

Colors of beads may vary whatever color you have the most of (28 total) use as the orange color above, the least (3) of as the color blue, and then the one with the 2 beads as eyes/black beads, 13 beads for the purple.

Use the beads and string to create your very own bead owl! You might need some help to get your string through the beads, but the ends of the string are taped to try to help make them easier to thread. To get them to stay together you will need to guide one string through from right to left and the other string from left to right to make a loop around each layer of beads. Tie a know when you're all done to secure.

Great Horned Owl

Great Horned Owls are large and powerful birds found across the Americas. They are variable in size across their vast range, with northern birds tending to be larger and heavier. Great Horned Owls have extremely variable cryptic and mottled plumage, making them adept and blending into their surroundings. Their namesake horns are tufts of feathers.



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Owl Activity

Owls are adapted to be excellent hunters. Try out these challenges to test your owl skills!

Challenge #1

Camo Challenge

Take the owls you colored in this booklet and find a place to hide them and see if someone can find them.

This might help you realize why owls aren't pink!

Challenge #2

Headout and play hide and seek! Have others be the "mouse" and the person it is the owl.

Owls can hear a mouse's heartbeat under the snow!



Wide Eye Owl

**THERE'S A WIDE EYE OWL
(MAKE FINGERS IN LARGE CIRCLES AND CUP
OVER EYES)**

**WITH A POINTED NOSE (USE FINGERS TO
MAKE A TRIANGLE & POINT OUT FOR NOSE)
TWO POINTED EARS (USE FINGERS FOR
EARS)**

**AND CLAWS FOR TOES (WIGGLE FINGERS
LIKE TOES)**

**HE LIVES WAY UP IN THE TREE (POINT UP TO
TREE TOP)**

**AND WHEN HE LOOKS AT YOU (POINT)
HE FLAPS HIS WINGS (USE ARMS FOR
WINGS, AND FLAP)**

**AND SAYS WHOOO WHOOO (CONTINUE
FLAPPING WINGS)**



Suggested Reading

Owl Moon
Jane Yolen

Owls
Gail Gibbons

Little Owls Night
Divya Srinivasan

The Barn Owls
Tony Johnston

Owls of Iowa

THEY LAY
1-4 EGGS
IN JANUARY

Birds
Have Feathers



Raptor

Talons

The Prefer to Hunt
While Perched (Sitting)



Hooked Beak

Large Owls

Nocturnal

Active at Night



NICTITATING
MEMBRANE

A clear eyelid
the protects
their eyes

FLIGHT GOGGLES



Special
Feathers
Enable Silent
Flight



Craig Brelsford

Long Eared
Owl

Most owls
don't say whoo

Small Owls

Crepuscular

Active at Dusk and Dawn

A group of Owls
is called a
PARLIMENT



Barred Owl



9,400
FEATHERS



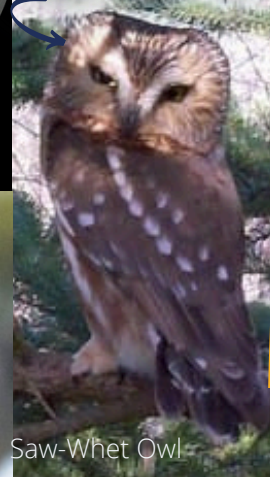
They eat rodents,
birds, and bugs!

ENDANGERED



Snowy
Owl

MIGRATORY



Saw-Whet Owl

Owls ears are
hidden under their
feathers.
One is slightly
higher then the
other so they can
hear in all
directions.



THOSE
AREN'T EARS

Great Horned
Owl



NOT ALL RAPTORS NEST IN
TREES, BURROWING OWLS
NEST IN THE GROUND OFTEN
IN ABANDONED BADGER
HOLES AND SHORT EARED
OWLS NEST ON THE GROUND.

Owls eyes are
so big
they can't move
them.

They can turn their heads
270 degrees around



Dick Daniels

Eastern Screech Owls are one of the only owls
with two different color patterns, Red or Gray



They also sound like horses.

They spit up pellets of
fur and bones of what
they ate.

Weigh 1 cup of
Sugar to
3 loafs of Bread



Barn
Owl

In Iowa



Short
Eared
Owl



Burrowing Owl