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EPISODE SUMMARY

Birds play a critical role in our ecosystems, keeping insect populations in-check, serving as valuable prey for our larger mammals, and helping to disperse seeds! In this episode, we explore a special type of bird called cavity nesters, who, as the name implies, need cavities to nest, reproduce and thrive.

KEY TERMS

Use the back of this page to define the following words based on information in the episode. Verify your answer using a dictionary.

- Habitat
- Species
- Excavate
- Specialized
- Snag
- Decompose

WHAT IS ONE THING YOU WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THIS TOPIC?

What is one thing you learned?

FOLLOW THESE STEPS TO LISTEN AND LEARN

Step 1. Review this document so you know what to listen for when you play the episode.

Step 2. Listen to “[Birds and Their Houses: Cavity Nesters in Florida](#)” on your preferred podcast platform or online at www.naturallyfloridapodcast.com

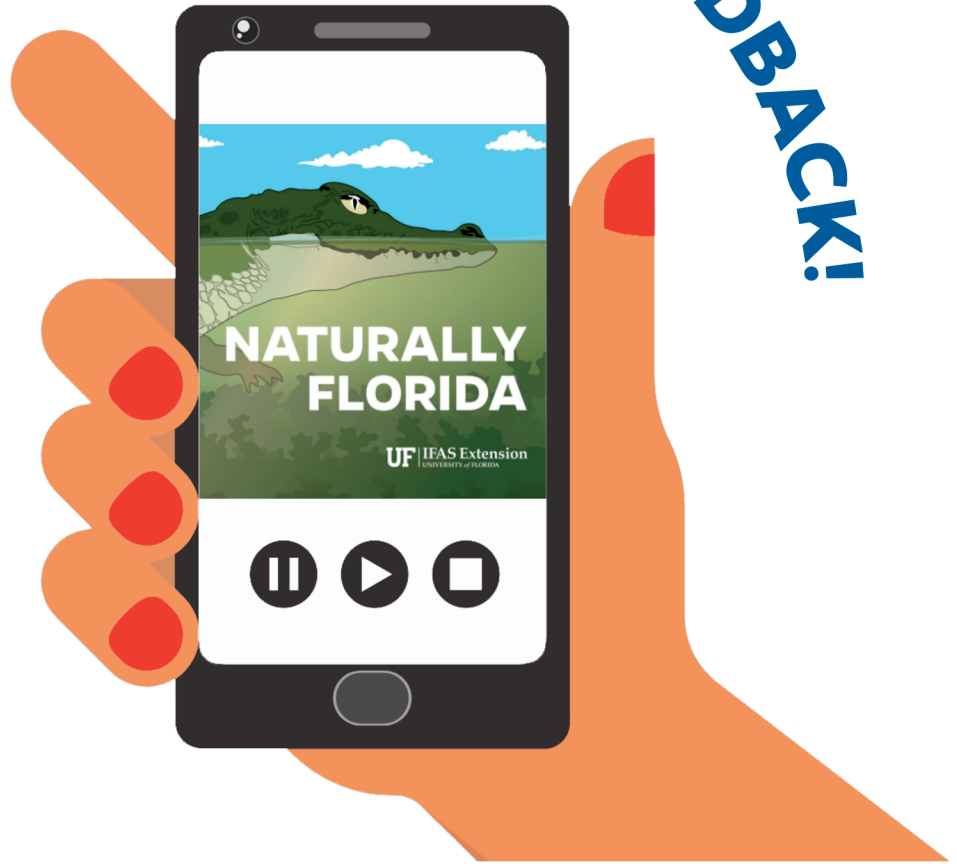
Step 3. Answer questions on this page, and if time permits, use the discussion questions below to have a conversation with your classmates, teacher or group leader.

Describe one thing you can do at home or in your community to support our cavity nesting birds:

DISCUSSION/RESEARCH QUESTIONS:

- 1) What is the difference between primary and secondary cavity nesters?
- 2) What are some possible positive and negative impacts of installing artificial nest boxes?

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