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Lila and the Swallows

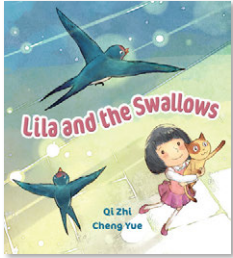
Educator Guide

DISCUSSION

Ask these questions to the class as a whole or have students discuss in small groups. These questions encourage students to explore their imagination as well as their connection to nature.

1. Every spring, when the weather gets warm, the swallows return to Lila's village. What other changes happen in spring?
2. The swallows make their nest on the beam in Lila's house. Where would you make a nest if you were a bird? Why?
3. Lila imagines what it's like to be a swallow. What do you think it would be like to be a swallow?
4. How are humans different from birds?
5. Lila knows the swallows will leave again in autumn. Where do they go, and why? How does Lila know they will fly away soon?





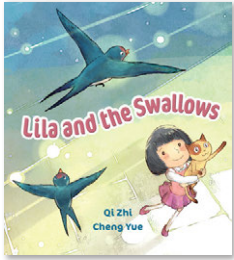
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Activities for Kids

LET'S DRAW

Draw yourself traveling with your favorite animal! Could that be swimming with jellyfish?
Or swinging with monkeys?



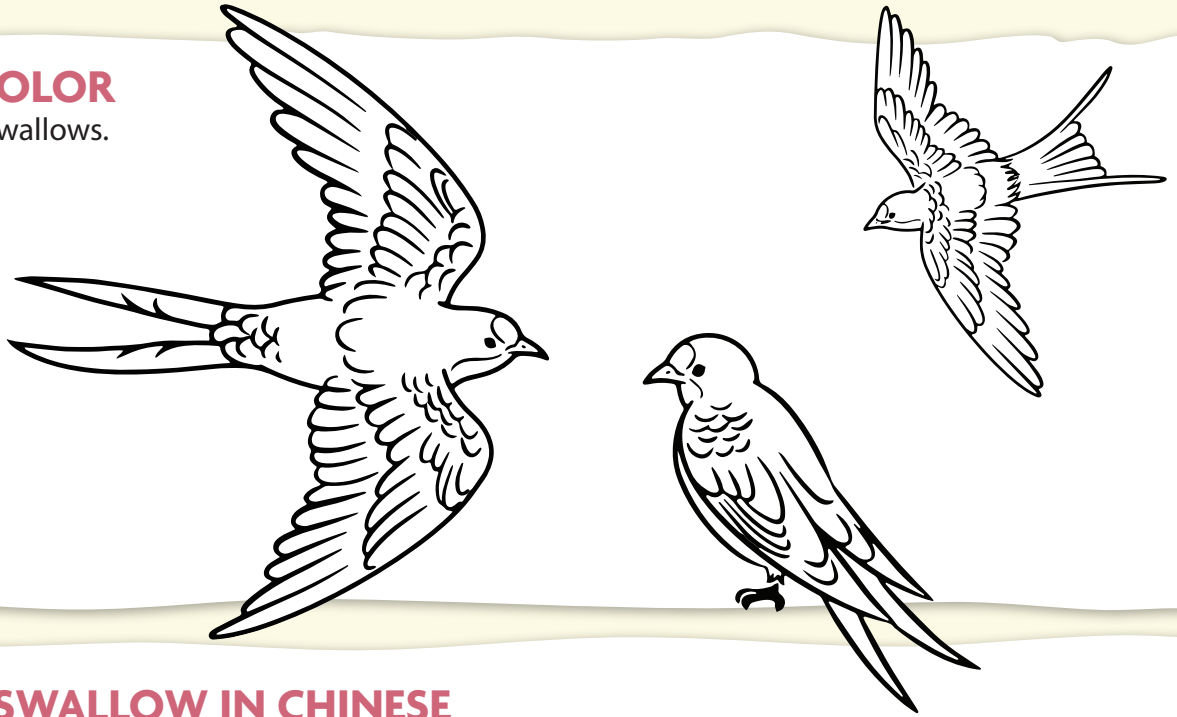
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LET'S COLOR

Color the swallows.



WRITE SWALLOW IN CHINESE

The Chinese word for swallow is 燕子 yanzi, written with two characters. Trace the characters below, then practice writing them on your own!

燕子

yan

zi

