Purpose: Learn to explore life on the wing with Irish birds, identify and name the birds in your garden

Location: Outdoors at home
Duration: Up to 30 minutes a day
Level of Experience: None required

Equipment: Watch, survey form and a pencil, binoculars and camera would be useful

Survey Steps:

1) Print off the garden birds survey sheet
2) Stand quietly in your garden and look for any birds
3) Try to match the bird with the bird photographs on the sheet
4) Repeat the survey another day at a different time if you wish, you might see different birds
5) If you see birds not on the sheet, photograph or draw them, and identify them later. You can view birds online, or use text books to help you name the birds you see
6) Remember not to disturb or photograph nests with eggs or chicks