How to do the Bird Count

IT'S AS EASY AS 1, 2, 3!

1. Plan to count birds for at least 15 minutes. You can do it in different places. Just be sure to keep a separate list of birds for each location.

2. For each type of bird you see, count the most you see at any one time. For example, maybe you see two chickadees when you start watching, then five chickadees a few minutes later. The number you put on your list for chickadees is five. Do **not** add two plus five. (This way you don't accidentally count the same bird twice.)

Weather conditions for detecting birds in the habitats visited were:
POOR_____ FAIR_____ GOOD_____ EXCELLENT_____

Habitat(s) (Check **all** that apply):
Deciduous Woods___ Coniferous Woods ___ Scrub___ Grassland_____
Freshwater___ Rural___ Suburban ___

Bird Counts

Please write the highest number of birds of each species that you saw together at any one time. For example, if you watched a flock of Dark-eyed Juncos for 15 minutes and saw 3 juncos at a feeder, then 5, then 2, you would report 5, the highest number your saw at once, next to the name, "Dark-eyed Junco." Do not add the numbers together (not 3 + 5 + 2).

Check a field guide if you need help with identification. If you still cannot identify the species, do not report it.

SPECIES	HIGHEST NUMBER COUNTED