

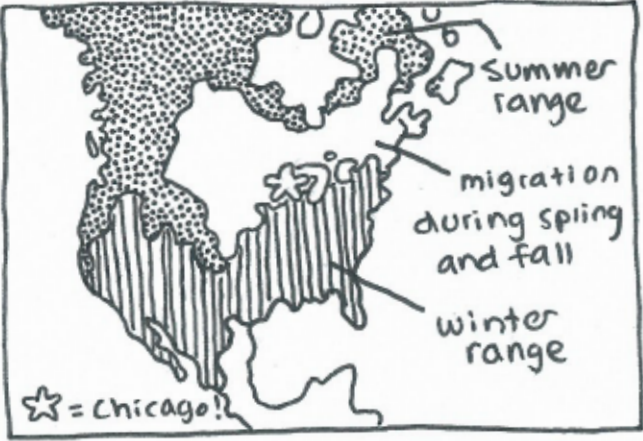
GARDEN VISITORS: 

White-Crowned Sparrow!!

Zonotrichia leucophrys



Like many other small birds in cold weather, this bird puffs up its feathers to stay warm. This behavior traps air inside its feathers, which is then heated up by the bird's body temperature, creating a layer of warm air! This is the same way that puffy winter coats keep humans warm.



These sparrows are omnivores. They hunt for seeds and wild berries, but in summer, they catch beetles, spiders, wasps, worms, and even caterpillars! Overgrown garden corners give them shelter to rest and snack.



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