**Date:** May 23



**Day #:** 3

**Videos:** 1 - 11 **Time:** 13:00 minutes

**Video 1: What sound do you hear from outside of the nest box?** Morning bird song

**Video 2: What sound does the female make when she leaves the box?** “killy killy”

**What are the chicks doing?** Huddling together

**Why is it beneficial for the chicks do this?** To stay warm

**\*Video 3: Which parent is sitting on the chicks?** Male

**Which parent enters the nest box?** Female

**Describe two things you see or hear them do in the box together.** They chirrup at each other and the female wing slaps the male.

**Why do you think the parent birds switched positions?** The female was done with her “break”

**Video 4: Describe what the female is feeding the chicks. Notice its tail.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Research to determine the prey’s identity.** Vole (meadow mouse)

**What order of animals does it belong to in the classification system?** Rodentia

**Video 5: What part of the mouse is too big for the chick to eat?** Tail

**What does the female do?** Takes it away from the chick

**Video 6: What is the female doing?** Preening

**Why is this important for a bird?** Feathers must be in perfect condition for flight

**Videos 7 and 9: What is the female following with her eyes? (Listen too)** A fly

**\*Video 8: Which parent enters first?** Female

**Which parent enters second?** Male

**What is the second parent carrying in its beak?** Mouse

**Describe the differences between the two parents.** Male has blue on leading edges of the wings and head. Female is all brown. Female has more black barring.

**What does the female do?** She stays on the chicks and won’t get up. She churrs at him a lot.

**What does the male want to do?** He wants to feed the chicks

**Why do you think the male finally leaves with the food?** Female doesn’t cooperate

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**Video 10:** **What is the female feeding the chicks?** Mouse

**Describe the prey item. Research to find the identity of the prey item.** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Describe how the chicks behave at the beginning of the feeding.** Excited and flapping wings, peeping loudly

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**Describe how the chicks behave at the end of the feeding.** No more wing flapping and little peeping/full

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**Video 11: What does the female feed to the chicks again?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**How can you tell what it is without seeing the body?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Do the chicks seem more hungry or sleepy during this feeding?** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_