

## Parts of a feather diagram





Grab a magnifying glass or a microscope to study your feathers more closely! For the Parts of a Feather study, I drew a contour feather. I will be creating a work about the various types of feathers. Here is a set of nomenclature cards I drew and made for parts of a feather. All birds molt. It is where the bird loses its old feathers and grows new ones. Why do birds molt? Simply, because their feathers get old and beat up. Most birds molt gradually losing a few feathers at a time. There are a few birds that lose their feathers all at once. For more information about how I take traditional curriculum and make them more hands-on and Montessori-ish, look here under the Zoology and Botany tags. What a terrific idea. Please share it and any others on my family-focused Kid Corner. Thanks for linking up to TGIF! Home About Us Contact Us! This is called the Shaft. It is made of Keratin the same material our fingernails are made of. Birds cannot feel the shaft, therefore it does not hurt the bird to clip their wings. The Quill is where the feather attaches to the Bird. Quills were used to write with long ago. It was dipped into ink and the ink would go up the shaft a little way. The soft part of the feather is called the vane. If you can look at this part through a microscope or magnifying glass, you will see that it has tiny hairs called barbs. Those hairs also ha

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ve tiny hairs called barbules. They function like a hook and latchâ€l making the wing vanes act like a zipper. Some feathers are fuzzy, these are called Down Feathers. Down feathers do not have a shaft. Until next timeâ€l. The following two tabs change content below. Bio Latest Posts. Trish has been married to her best friend, David, for 16 years and they have three sons aged 13, 12 and 9. She has been homeschooling since and her homeschool style leans towards a Montessori approach with a heavy emphasis on hands-on learning. They also own a small business that Trish runs from home. In her spare time, Trish loves to write, work in their garden and can regularly be found trying to learn something new, modeling that learning is indeed a life-long endeavor! Latest posts by Trish Corlew see all. If you like this post, please share it! Like Loading Thanks for linking to the Sunday showcase. Very interesting! Let's discuss Cancel reply. Sorry, your blog cannot share posts by email.