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Barn Swallows
It's a fall day in a park.
A barn swallow sits on a tree branch.
Soon it will start a long journey.

Some barn swallows build nests inside barns. This is how they got their name. The little bird flies south for the winter. Why?

In winter, there is little food in northern parts of the world.

In the south, it is warmer.

There is more food.

Barn swallows eat **insects**, such as grasshoppers.

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It's a cool fall day in a park. A barn swallow spreads its wings and flies away. The bird is beginning a long journey south. It will travel thousands of miles to reach a warm place where it can find lots of food during winter. In early spring, the barn swallow will begin its long flight home.

Look inside to discover more about what barn swallows do in winter, including where they travel and the amazing ways they survive.

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