I found a baby bird. Now, what?

- **Is bird hurt or sick?**
  - **NO**
  - **Is bird feathered?**
    - **NO**
      - **It’s a nesting. (Needs help)**
    - **YES**
      - **Is the bird feathered?**
        - **NO**
          - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
        - **YES**
          - **It's a fledgling. (Normal behavior to be hopping on ground; parents are still feeding it.)**

- **Can you find the nest?**
  - **NO**
    - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
  - **YES**
    - **Is it intact?**
      - **NO**
        - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
      - **YES**
        - **Put baby back in nest. Observe from a distance.**

- **Are parents visiting nest?**
  - **NO**
    - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
  - **YES**
    - **Leave the area. Baby is okay. A baby bird’s best chance for survival is its mother.**

- **If you find a baby duck, goose, quail, or killdeer:**
  - **If you know the mother is dead, or baby is injured, call a wildlife rehabilitator right away.**

- **Put bird in bushes or on a tree limb nearby. Watch from a distance.**

- **Are parents nearby?**
  - **NO**
    - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
  - **YES**
    - **Leave the area. Baby is okay.**

I found a baby mammal. Now, what?

- **Is baby animal hurt or sick?**
  - **NO**
  - **Can you find the nest or den? Is it intact?**
    - **NO**
      - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
    - **YES**
      - **Place baby in shallow box close to where it was found. Keep it warm but out of the sun. Watch for the mother for 4–6 hours. Stay completely out of sight. Mothers won’t return if any people or pets are present.**

- **Did mother return?**
  - **NO**
    - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
  - **YES**
    - **Leave the area. Baby is okay.**

- **If you find a baby bunny:**
  - **If their nest has been damaged, it can be repaired. Look for a shallow depression lined with grass/fur. Place babies in nest with light layers of grass to hide them. Leave area, or the mother won’t return. (Mothers return only at dawn or dusk.) Healthy bunnies that are 4-5 inches long, able to hop, with eyes open and ears up, are able to survive on their own. Leave them alone.**

- **Place baby in nest/den. Watch for the mother for 4–6 hours. Stay completely out of sight. Mothers won’t return if any people or pets are present.**

- **Did mother return?**
  - **NO**
    - **Call a wildlife rehabilitator.**
  - **YES**
    - **Leave the area. Baby is okay.**