

Chick's Primary Lessons

This Primary Lesson Progress Chart is intended to be used along with the EARLY PARROT EDUCATION PROGRAM®. Caretakers should be knowledgeable and skilled to mentor and ensure the safety and well being of the bird throughout these lessons.

Note: Individuals may progress differently from others, respect their limitations and ensure with the guidance of your avian veterinarian the health of all chicks or fledglings engaged in this program.

INFORMATION

Species: _____

ID or band #: _____

Hatch date: _____

Weaning cage model: _____

Dimensions: _____ x _____ x _____

Fledgling cage model: _____

Dimensions: _____ x _____ x _____

NUTRITIONAL EDUCATION

Weaned on extruded diet brand: _____

Introduced to cut fresh fruits/veg.: _____

Introduced to hulled seeds: _____

	AVIAN OCCUPATIONAL SKILLS	INTRODUCED	DESENSITIZED	EAGER TO LEARN	TRAINED WITH REINFORCEMENT	TYPE OF REINFORCEMENT (NURTURING VOCAL PLAY)
TOWEL TRAINED (TOWEL CRADLING)						
	Desensitized to different vivid colours of towels					
	Preening with wet warm towel around the neck & back					
	Preening with dry towel around neck & back					
	Plays "peek-a-boo" under towel					
	Forages under towel					
	Cuddled in towel, upright position					
	Wrapped in towel on back, cuddled					
	Wrapped in towel restrained with velcro strap					
BASIC ROUTINE PHYSICAL EXAM						
	Step up/down for weight monitoring					
	Inspection of oral cavity & choanal region					
	Inspection of the feet					
	Inspection of the feathers on the wings					
	Use of stethoscope					

Notes: _____

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GROOMING					
Experience being preened by other chick					
Experience preening other chicks					
Ability to preen post misting under basking lamp					
Has been accustomed to nail file					
Has been accustomed to rotary manicure tool for nail grooming (noise and sight)					
Has been accustomed to rotary manicure tool for nail grooming with towel restraint					
Has been accustomed to rotary tool for nail grooming without towel restraint					
Misting with warm water					
Showers on perch in shower					
PERCHES					
Perches on training stand					
Perches on rope perch					
Climbing while being misted on bungee rope perch					
Learn to perch & chew on safe tree branches					
PHYSICAL EDUCATION - FLIGHT					
Wears flight harness					
Harness training indoors					
Harness training outdoors					
Monitored flight without a harness (indoors)					
Monitored flight with partial flight feathers groomed (indoors)					

Number of feathers groomed: _____ Date of flight feathers grooming: _____

TRANSPORTER (CARRIER)

Model: _____ Size: _____ x _____ x _____

Longest time spent in transporter door open: _____

Longest time spent in transporter door closed: _____

Longest time spent in transporter in car: _____



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WATER CONSUMPTION EDUCATION					
Dribbled water post spoon-feeding					
Drinking from water dish (warm water)					
Drinking from water dish (tempered water)					
Drinking from water dish (cool water)					
Drinking from water bottle					
Drinking from water bottle in carrier (transporter)					
Drinking from water bottle in day cage					
SOCIALIZATION SKILLS (AVIAN)					
Was raised with clutch mates of same clutch					
Was raised with clutch mates of different clutch (same species)					
Was raised with clutch mates of different species What species:					
Exposed as fledgling to other birds What species:					
OTHER PETS **(UNDER SUPERVISION ONLY)**					
Has been exposed to dogs					
Has been exposed to cats					
Has been exposed to other animals What animals:					
HUMAN SOCIALIZATION					
Has been handled by male caretaker					
Has been handled by female caretaker					
Has been exposed to children (under supervision)					
Has been exposed to human wearing glasses					
Has been exposed to human wearing nail polish					
Has been exposed to human wearing watches					

During EPE

This particular fledgling was frightened by or weary of: _____

Efforts to desensitize further: Was engaged by mentor Names of the mentors _____

should be pursued by new caretakers.

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FORAGING SKILLS					
Elementary foraging device					
Elementary schreddable foraging device					
Intermediate foraging device					
Intermediate shreddable device					
Advanced foraging device					
Advanced schreddable device					
Acrylic foraging device					
Able to forage on bouncing perch or bouncing foraging device					
Training blocks					
Toys					
Other:					
ENRICHMENT SKILLS					
Has been exposed to different colours					
Has been exposed to windows					
Has been exposed to outside					
Self recognition with mirrors					
Focusing attention on television					
Focusing attention on bird videos					
Has been exposed to aquariums with live fishes					
Has been exposed to radio (voices)					
Has been exposed to music					
OTHER					

Words or sentences this bird is able to pronounce: _____

Songs this bird is a: _____

