

Garden & Woodland Birds

10 questions · Ages 6+ · Circle the right answer!



Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

1 What does an osprey eat?**A** Insects**B** Rabbits**C** Fish**D** Seeds**2** Which bird lays its eggs in other birds' nests?**A** Wood pigeon**B** Magpie**C** Jackdaw**D** Cuckoo**3** Which bird sings while hovering high in the sky over fields?**A** Kestrel**B** Wren**C** Swallow**D** Skylark**4** Which tall bird stands still in shallow water waiting to catch fish?**A** Coot**B** Grey heron**C** Mute swan**D** Cormorant**5** Which bird of prey is often seen hovering over road verges?**A** Red kite**B** Sparrowhawk**C** Buzzard**D** Kestrel**6** What is the name for a huge, swirling flock of starlings?**A** Parliament**B** Murmuration**C** Charm**D** Murder**7** Which bird drums on trees with its beak?**A** Great spotted woodpecker**B** Nuthatch**C** Jay**D** Treecreeper**8** What is a baby swan called?**A** Chick**B** Duckling**C** Gosling**D** Cygnet**9** Which brightly coloured bird dives into rivers to catch fish?**A** Grey wagtail**B** Kingfisher**C** Dipper**D** Moorhen**10** Pheasants are native to Britain.**True****False**

My score: ____ / 10



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Answer key with fun facts · Ages 6+



1 What does an osprey eat?

Answer: C. Fish

Ospreys plunge feet first into the water to catch their prey.

2 Which bird lays its eggs in other birds' nests?

Answer: D. Cuckoo

Reed warblers, dunnocks and meadow pipits often end up raising young cuckoos.

3 Which bird sings while hovering high in the sky over fields?

Answer: D. Skylark

Skylarks can sing non-stop for several minutes.

4 Which tall bird stands still in shallow water waiting to catch fish?

Answer: B. Grey heron

Hérons nest together in treetop colonies called heronries.

5 Which bird of prey is often seen hovering over road verges?

Answer: D. Kestrel

Kestrels hover by flying into the wind, keeping their heads perfectly still as they watch for prey.

6 What is the name for a huge, swirling flock of starlings?

Answer: B. Murmuration

Murmurations can contain tens of thousands of birds.

7 Which bird drums on trees with its beak?

Answer: A. Great spotted woodpecker

Woodpeckers drum to mark their territory and attract a mate.

8 What is a baby swan called?

Answer: D. Cygnet

Cygnets are grey and fluffy at first, and turn white as they grow up.

9 Which brightly coloured bird dives into rivers to catch fish?

Answer: B. Kingfisher

A kingfisher's blue colour comes from how light hits its feathers, not from blue pigment.

10 Pheasants are native to Britain.

Answer: False

Pheasants were introduced from Asia, probably by the Romans or Normans.