

Birds Around Britain

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



Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

1 Which bird is the fastest animal on Earth when diving?

A Swift

B Peregrine falcon

C Kestrel

D Golden eagle

2 Which tiny brown bird has a surprisingly loud song and a cocked-up tail?

A House sparrow

B Wren

C Robin

D Dunnock

3 Which small bird is famous for its red breast?

A Chaffinch

B Wren

C Robin

D Blue tit

4 Which beautiful winter visitor with a crest comes to eat berries in some years?

A Bullfinch

B Goldcrest

C Jay

D Waxwing

5 Where do the UK's swallows spend the winter?

A Iceland

B Spain

C Scotland

D Africa

6 Which seabird is sometimes nicknamed the 'sea parrot'?

A Guillemot

B Puffin

C Razorbill

D Gannet

7 What is the collective name for a group of goldfinches?

A Murder

B Charm

C Murmuration

D Parliament

8 Which bird features in the rhyme 'One for sorrow, two for joy'?

A Jackdaw

B Robin

C Magpie

D Crow

9 What colour is a female blackbird?

A Black

B Blue

C Grey

D Brown

10 Which bird wags its long tail up and down as it walks?

A Robin

B Pied wagtail

C Starling

D Wren

My score: ____ / 10



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Answer key with fun facts · Ages 6+



- 1** Which bird is the fastest animal on Earth when diving?
Answer: B. Peregrine falcon
In a dive, a peregrine can reach over 300km/h (about 200mph).
- 2** Which tiny brown bird has a surprisingly loud song and a cocked-up tail?
Answer: B. Wren
For its size, the wren has one of the loudest songs of any UK bird.
- 3** Which small bird is famous for its red breast?
Answer: C. Robin
Both male and female robins have red breasts.
- 4** Which beautiful winter visitor with a crest comes to eat berries in some years?
Answer: D. Waxwing
Waxwings arrive from Scandinavia when berries run short there.
- 5** Where do the UK's swallows spend the winter?
Answer: D. Africa
Many of our swallows fly all the way to South Africa and back each year.
- 6** Which seabird is sometimes nicknamed the 'sea parrot'?
Answer: B. Puffin
Puffins shed the colourful outer parts of their beaks after the breeding season.
- 7** What is the collective name for a group of goldfinches?
Answer: B. Charm
Goldfinches have bright red faces and a flash of gold on their wings.
- 8** Which bird features in the rhyme 'One for sorrow, two for joy'?
Answer: C. Magpie
Some people still salute a single magpie for luck.
- 9** What colour is a female blackbird?
Answer: D. Brown
Only the male is black, with a bright orange-yellow beak.
- 10** Which bird wags its long tail up and down as it walks?
Answer: B. Pied wagtail
Pied wagtails often gather in town centres to roost on winter nights.