



Really Wild!!



Welcome to our new topic 'Really Wild!'. We will be learning about all kinds of animals from bugs and birds to lions and fish. We can't wait to see all of your wonderful work on this topic!

Have a look at the next few slides with your grown up. Which is your favourite bird?



British Birds

Barn Owl



Barn Owl

Barn owls are **nocturnal**.
They hunt at night.

They can turn their heads
right around to look
behind them!

They are **carnivores**. They
eat small animals like
mice, shrews and birds.



excellent hearing to
find small animals
in the dark

good eyesight to help
them hunt in the dark

heart-shaped
face

brown feathers
on the back

white feathers
on the belly

long legs for reaching
into long grass to
catch food

sharp talons for
catching **prey**



Kingfisher

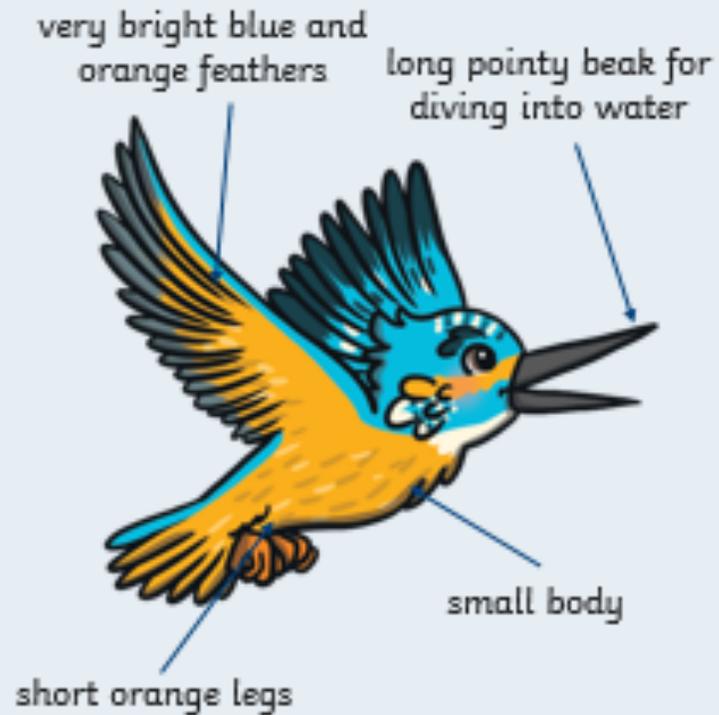


Kingfisher

Kingfishers come out during the day. They are **diurnal**.

They can be found fishing in rivers and lakes. They like to perch on a branch and dive down to catch their **prey**.

They eat small fish, like minnows or sticklebacks. They also eat tadpoles.



Mallard Duck



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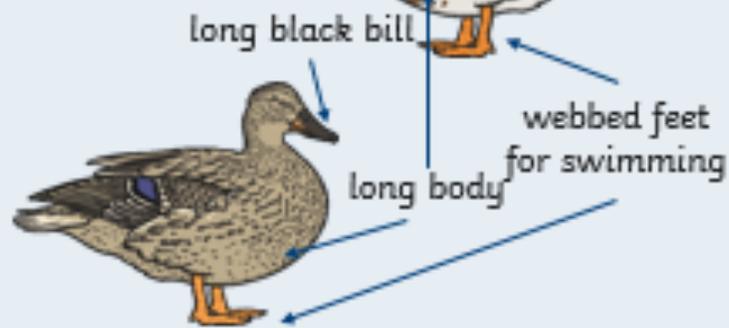
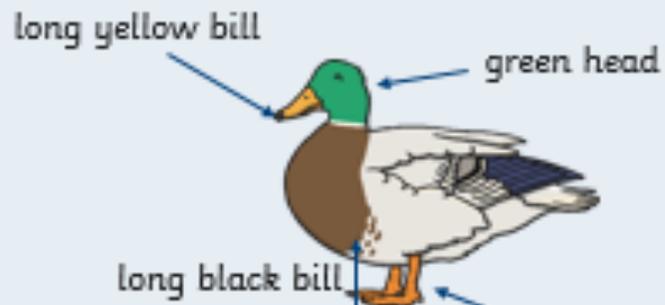
Mallards are large ducks that come out during the day.

They live near water, such as lakes and ponds.

They are **omnivores**. They eat underwater plants, seeds and acorns. They also eat small fish and insects.



male – green, purple-brown and blue feathers



female – mostly brown feathers with some blue

Green Woodpecker

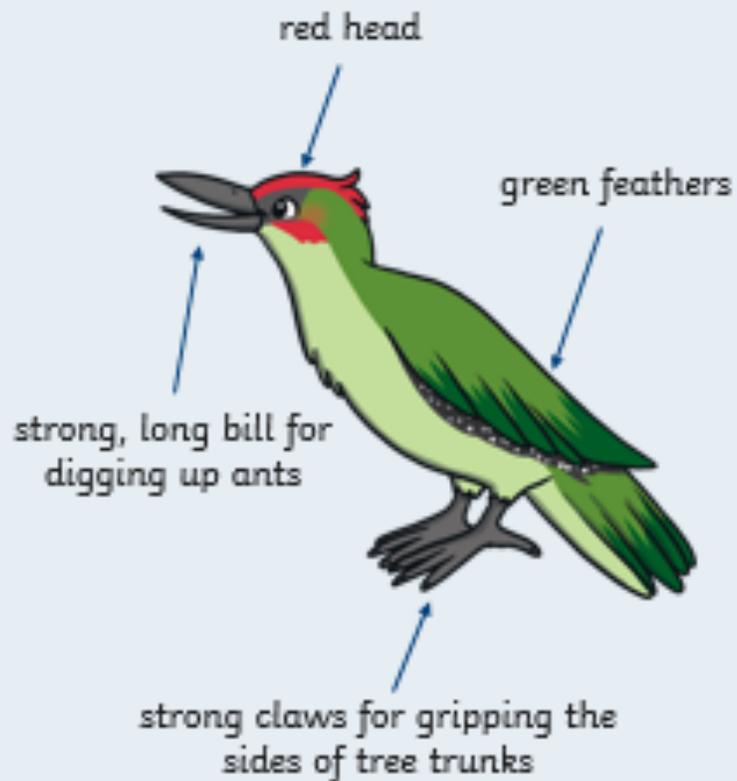


Green Woodpecker

Green woodpeckers come out during the day.

They use their strong beak to dig for ants.

Ants make up most of their diet. They do sometimes eat other insects and some seeds or fruit.



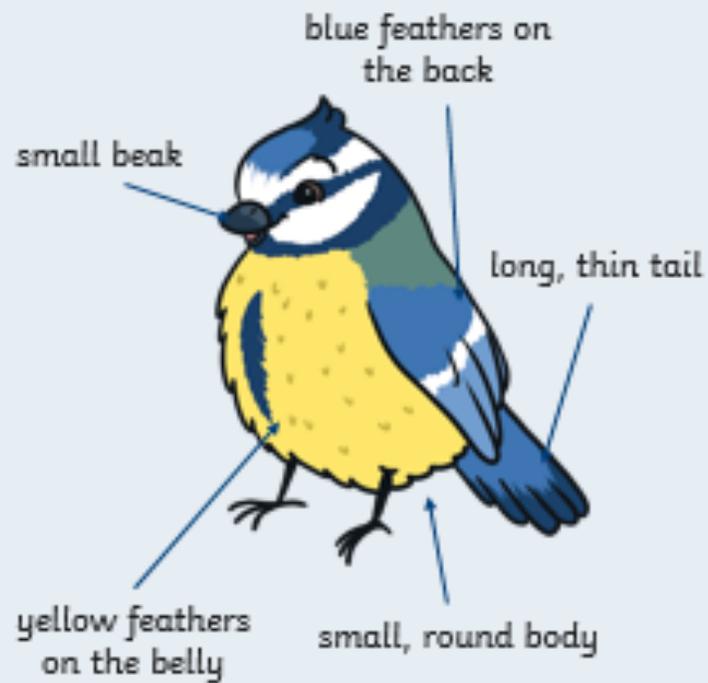
Blue Tit



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Blue tits are **diurnal** birds. They can often be seen in gardens during the day.

Blue tits are **omnivores**. They eat insects and caterpillars, as well as seeds and nuts.



Glossary

carnivore – an animal that eats only other animals

herbivore – an animal that eats only plants

omnivore – an animal that eats plants and animals

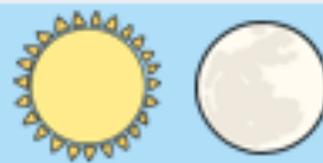
predator – an animal that hunts and eats other animals

prey – an animal that is eaten by another



diurnal – awake during the day

nocturnal – awake during the night



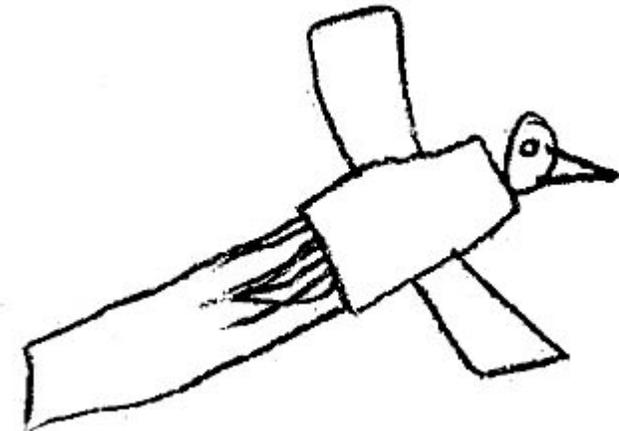
camouflage – colours or patterns that help an animal blend in to its surroundings



Use crayons, paint or pencils to draw a picture of your favourite bird or design a bird of your own. Can you label the parts of your bird?

Click on this link for a video of how to draw a duck:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nxatuBKGAVs>



Be a bird spotter!



Print off the 'Garden birds checklist' (underneath this file in Remote Learning) if you have a printer. If you don't have a printer you can note down the different birds that you spot in the garden in your own way.

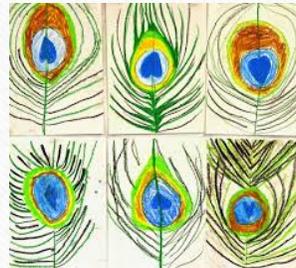
Bird spotting is so much fun!
How many birds can you spot?

Find out how birds use their wings

Follow this link

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p011t3k9>

to find out how birds use their wings to fly.



Now you have learnt a little about birds' wings why don't you try making your own feathers? Here are some ideas to help you. Maybe, if you make a few feathers you could put them together to make a bird.

Make your own bird feeder

Winter is a difficult time for birds. They find it more difficult to find food, so we can help them by putting seeds out for them to eat.



We have shared the instructions for this bird feeder on our remote learning page.



Simple Bird Feeder

You will need:

- Empty cardboard tube
- Peanut butter
- Butter knife
- Wild birdseed
- Tray
- String (optional)



Instructions

1. Using the butter knife, carefully spread a thick layer of peanut butter all over the cardboard tube.
2. Pour the birdseed into the tray.
3. Roll the peanut butter-covered cardboard tube in the birdseed. Press down carefully to make sure the birdseed has stuck to the peanut butter.
4. Gently, shake off the excess birdseed over the tray.
5. Slide the birdfeeder onto the branch of a tree. Alternatively, you could thread some string through the tube and tie it in a knot at the top to make a loop.
6. Sit back and count how many different birds visit your feeder to enjoy a treat!



Bird song!

If you wrap up warm, step outside and listen really carefully, you should be able to hear birds chirruping and singing in your garden.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IMXD4h5w8D8>

Try making your own bird music. Watch the video we have shared and use an instrument to join in. If you don't have a musical instrument, you could make something simple. For example rice in a plastic bottle or 2 wooden blocks to bang together.

Bird yoga

Learn some bird yoga poses with Cosmic Kids Yoga. We hope you enjoy hearing the story about the Nelson the pigeon.



https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kN1_qchKPnA

