



## Bright sparks bird quiz

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The smallest bird in the world lives in Cuba. What is its name?



You can't until they open their beaks! They look exactly the same, but only the male sings.

Which is the commonest bird in the world?



The corncrake. After getting much rarer for 100 years, it is now increasing in numbers thanks to the work of the RSPB, among others.

Which of the following isn't extinct? The moa, the dodo, the great auk, the corncrake



Forty. These are either very rare already, have become much rarer or live in vulnerable places.

Which is the fastest British bird in level flight?



Bee hummingbird. It also lays the smallest eggs.

How many of the UK's birds are in the most threatened category - the Red List species?



The eider duck! Peregrine falcons go much faster when they are diving on their prey, but eiders would win in a flat race.

How can you tell a male from a female song thrush?



None of them lives in Ireland. There are plenty of other birds to see in Ireland though.

What links tawny owls, green woodpeckers and golden eagles?



The mute swan. It's heavier than the other swans and other big birds, such as golden eagles.

Which is the heaviest bird in the UK?



The chicken. The commonest wild bird is the red-billed quail, a sparrow like bird from Africa.