## **Education Programme**

## **Common Garden Birds**

Blackbird questions and tasks:

- 1. Find Iceland on the map.
- 2. How much does a Blackbird weigh?
- 3. How old was the oldest ringed Blackbird when it was found?

Dunnock questions and tasks:

- 1. What is the body length of the Dunnock?
- 2. What is the Manx name for a Dunnock?
- 3. What other bird can the Dunnock easily be mistaken for?

Goldfinch questions and tasks:

- 1. What do Goldfinches eat?
- 2. In winter where do Goldfinches migrate to?
- 3. What is the collective name for a group of Goldfinches?

Great Tit questions and tasks:

- 1. What is the wingspan of the Great Tit?
- 2. What year did the longest running study of Great Tits' start?
- 3. What is the Manx name for the Great Tit?

House Sparrow questions and tasks:

- 1. Whose nests do House Sparrows sometimes steal?
- 2. How long does it take for the House Sparrow chicks to leave the nest?
- 3. What percentage has the House Sparrow population fallen by in some urban areas?

Robin questions and tasks:

- 1. What is the weight of a Robin?
- 2. Robins all have their own unique what?
- 3. What colour are young robins?

## Starling

- 1. What are our local birds joined by in the winter?
- 2. What is the impressive aerial display called?
- 3. Starlings are brilliant what?



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Blackbird answers:

- Q2: 80-100g
- Q3: Over 20 years old

Dunnock answers:

- Q1: 14cm
- Q2: Boght keeir
- Q3: House Sparrow

Goldfinch answers:

- Q1: Seeds from Thistles and Teasels (in spring small insects)
- Q2: Spain
- Q3: A Charm

Great Tit answers:

- Q1: 24cm
- Q2: 1930
- Q3: Drean Mooar

House Sparrow answers:

- Q1: House Martin
- Q2: 2 weeks
- Q3: 99%

Robin answers:

- Q1: 14-21g
- Q2: Unique red breast pattern
- Q3: Brown and speckly

Starling answers:

- Q1: Migrating birds
- Q2: Murmuration
- Q3: Mimics

