

# Reading:

Please complete a reading task each day. These are to last you the whole week.

Week beginning- 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April

Read the following part from the book 'The Twits' by Roald Dahl. Draw what you have read. Use your imagination.

Mr Twit was one of these very hairy-faced men. The whole of his face except his forehead, his eyes and his nose, was covered with thick hair. The stuff even sprouted in revolting tufts out of his nostrils and ear-holes.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April

Look at your picture from yesterday, add labels to describe what you have drawn.

# Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

## True or False

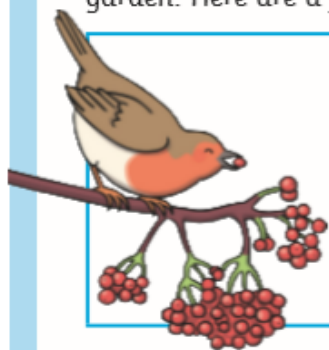
Read the information about birds on the next page. Once you have finished look at the true or false statements.

Decide which statements are true and which are false and write them in your book.

After you have finished you could look outside to see if you see any of the birds mentioned.

## Birds in Your Garden

There are many different types of bird that you might see in your garden. Here are a few of them:



### Robin

Robins are very easy to spot in your garden. They have a red breast and a brown head and back. They have long legs and a short tail. They live in one area to stop other robins living there. They eat insects, fruit, seeds and worms.

### Jackdaw

The jackdaw is a noisy bird. They are quite large and have a grey neck, a short beak and white eyes. They eat insects, dead animals and other birds' eggs. They live in woods, parks and gardens. Jackdaws steal things; not just food but objects too!



### Blue tit

The blue tit is a very small bird with bright yellow and blue feathers. They eat insects, seeds and nuts. They eat from bird tables and live in garden nesting boxes.



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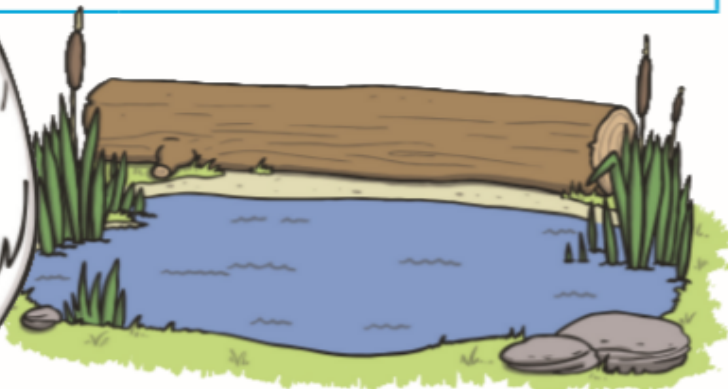
### Blackbird

Blackbirds are very common garden birds but they also live in farmland and woodland. Blackbirds live on their own. The male is black with an orange beak, and he has an orange ring around his eye. The female is dark brown with a brown beak. They nest in trees and like to sing.



### Heron

Hérons live near ponds. This is because they eat fish and sometimes steal the fish from people's ponds! They are quite large with a long thin beak. They also have thin legs and necks. They build nests in trees. When they fly, they stretch their legs out behind them.



# Are these statements true or false?

Robins have a red breast.

The jackdaw is a quiet bird.

Hérons live near farms.

The blue tit is a very small bird.

Blackbirds live on their own.

## Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs can be found almost everywhere in the UK. They are able to live in cities and towns, and can commonly be found on railway land as well as wastelands and gardens. They do not live on mountainsides or wet areas because there is not much food for them and there are less areas for them to nest.



### Did you know?

Hedgehogs also have a very small tail.

### What do they look like?

Hedgehogs are small, spiky mammals. They give birth to young called hoglets. Adult hedgehogs have 25mm long spines along their backs and sides, but not on their faces or legs. Here, they are covered in tough, brown fur. They usually have between five thousand and seven thousand spines!

### What do they eat?

Hedgehogs are often called the Gardener's Friend because they eat slugs and beetles. Slugs damage plants so gardeners are often pleased to see a hedgehog in their garden. They also eat earthworms.

To improve the chance of a hedgehog visiting your garden, you could leave a small saucer of cat or dog food out as they like the meat. Make sure you leave a saucer of water out too, especially in the summer months.



### No milk for hedgehogs!

You should not leave milk out for hedgehogs because they cannot digest the lactose within it and they can become very poorly.

# Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> April

Read the text about hedgehogs then answer the questions on the next page.

### Hedgehog Habits

Hedgehogs often visit a lot of gardens. You might think you are seeing the same hedgehog, but you could have as many as 10 different hedgehogs passing through your garden!

They are very nosy animals and sometimes need rescuing from getting their head stuck in empty yoghurt pots, tins and plastic cups.



When a hedgehog feels threatened it will roll itself up into a ball so that its spikes will act as a defence against enemies.

### Helping a Hedgehog

There are some things you can do to keep a visiting hedgehog safe if they pass through your garden.

Slug pellets – Never use these to kill slugs. Hedgehogs eat the pellets or the dead slugs and the poison in them can kill the hedgehogs.

Garden ponds – Hedgehogs can fall into ponds and drown. Make sure your pond has sloping sides so a hedgehog can scramble out to safety if they fall in. You could also cover the pond with netting or chicken wire.

Drains – Keep drains covered to stop the hedgehogs falling in and getting stuck.

Shed doors – Keep shed doors closed so a hedgehog doesn't wander in and get locked in overnight.

Nesting places – Hedgehogs nest in piles of leaves, so if you are planning to tidy the garden, be careful you don't accidentally wake a sleeping hedgehog.



Hedgehogs hibernate between November and the middle of March so be extra careful if moving piles of leaves during this time.



# Hedgehogs Questions

Answer the following questions in as much detail as you can and in full sentences.

1. Give two reasons why hedgehogs don't live on mountainsides.

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2. Where do hedgehogs not have spikes?

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3. In detail, explain why a gardener might be pleased to see a hedgehog in their garden.

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4. What could you leave out for a visiting hedgehog?

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5. Why should you not give them milk?

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6. Why might a hedgehog need rescuing from an empty yoghurt pot?

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7. What other word could the author have used instead of 'threatened'?

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8. What problem might a hedgehog have with a garden pond and how can you help keep them safe?

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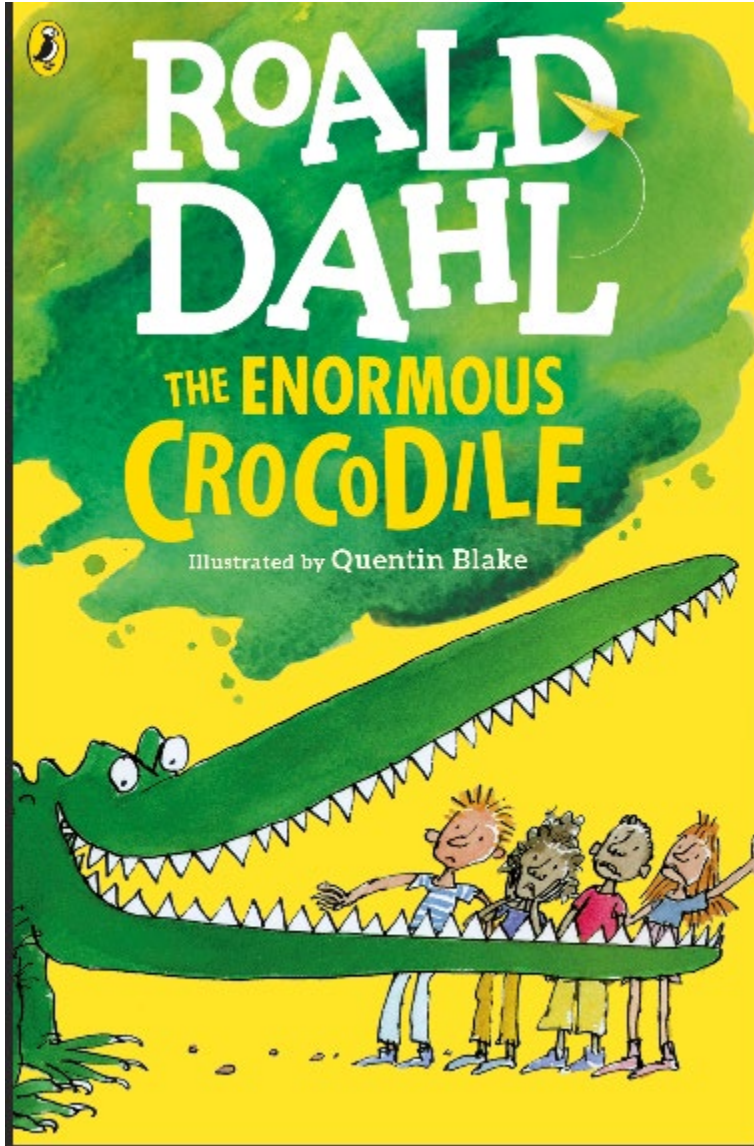
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9. Why do you need to be careful if moving piles of leaves in November, in the garden?

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Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April



Write a prediction about what you think will happen based on the front cover of Roald Dahl's 'The Enormous Crocodile.'

# Now listen to the story on YouTube.

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