## Bird exploring!

In Cambridge, I have seen many kinds of birds in the morning, afternoon and night. Their songs can be different and quite loud but there is always a reason for this.

Some of the birds I have seen are:



## THE COMMON BLACK BIRD

I normally hear them outside during the day and they can sometimes go into my garden on my shed. They are quite loud with a repetitive song. Their song is an alarm call,

which is why the sing so loudly, to communicate to the others that there are predators nearby.



## **Magpie**

I have seen magpies many times in Cambridge and Purcell. I have heard them sing in the morning and at night in bushes and fields. Their call is sometimes used to claim territory and can be used to scare predators away with a loud noise. Magpies are one of the most intelligent

animals in the world as they are able to imitate sounds, grieve and work as a team. They can sometimes gather for their lost friend and put grass around the dead bird to show their respect. Most of these gatherings cannot be seen easily. Also, because of their intelligence they can remember peoples individual identities so if someone annoys a magpie they could target that individual and become aggressive.

## MY FAVOURITE BIRD

My favourite bird is the peregrine falcon, which is the world's fastest bird. It has a black head with yellow around its eyes and a white chest. It has wide pointed wings that fold back when it dives to its prey and uses its great sharp talons to catch the prey. Peregrine falcons also steal other birds' food such as rodents etc. I believe they

are proud birds, who are strong and independent. Even though they are birds of prey they also have predators that could kill them such as golden eagles, great horned owls etc.