

X Did You Know?

Some of the UK's best-known birds are disappearing? Changes in the way crops are grown means there is less food for birds when they need it, and hedges have been cut down leaving nowhere for the birds to nest, shelter and feed.

Look at the pictogram showing how many birds visited a bird table during one hour in May 1970. Use the information to answer the questions below.

House sparrow	
Blackbird	xxxx
Starling	***
Song Thrush	* * * *
Robin	XX
Кеу	= 2 Birds = 1 Bird

Questions

- 1. Which bird was the most frequent visitor?
- 2. 14 house sparrows visited the bird table. Fill in the pictogram to show this number.
- 3. How many more starlings came to the table than song thrushes?
- 4. What is the difference between the number of robins and the number of blackbirds?

5. Records show that between 1970 and 1998 starlings, house sparrows and song thrushes had declined by 1/2; that blackbirds had declined by 1/4; and robin numbers had increased by 1/2. Draw a pictogram to show the number of birds you might expect to visit the bird table during one hour in 1998.