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Starling
is UK's most common bird
It eats insects and fruit, worms, slugs and snails
It flies fast and direct
is noisy and flies in flocks
It lives anywhere from woods to city centres

house sparrow
it's noisy and sociable
and found in small flocks
feeds mainly on seeds but
also insects and scraps
its population is decreasing
they live near humans in
city centres, parks,
farms and fields

blackbird
It eats insects, worms and berries
It nests low down using sticks, twigs and leaves, lined with mud and grass
They spend a lot of time on the ground looking for food, but sing high up

Carrion crow
It's jet black all over with a dark beak
It eats carrion - the remains of dead animals, insects, worms and scraps
It's a very clever bird
It's found alone or in pairs

blue tit
It's a colourful small bird
It eats caterpillars, seeds, nuts, berries and fruit
Woodpeckers eat them
It's seen in woods and gardens
It nests in holes in walls