

CEBF 2021 Trivia- 'How well do you know Caribbean birds?' ANSWERS

Answers to questions are in **red**.

1. What is a group of owls called?

- a) Brood
- b) Watch
- c) Flock
- d) **Parliament**

2. Which of the following helps birds to fly?

- a) Hollow Bones
- b) Beak
- c) Rapid digestion
- d) **All of the above**

3. The Arrowhead Warbler can be seen creeping up and down tree trunks in search of food.

True

False

Arrowhead Warblers are usually seen as an individual or in a small family group, within 3 meters or so of the ground, among thick leaves or tangled undergrowth cover, probing for insects on branches, leaves, and vines.

4. "Múcaro" is the Spanish name for the Puerto Rican Screech-Owl. It is the Taíno word for

- a) Bird
- b) Spirit
- c) Big-eyed animal
- d) **Owl**

5. The Vervain Hummingbird is the second smallest bird in the world! This tiny bird, is just

- a) 6 cm long and weighing just over 2 grams
- b) **5 cm long and weighing just over 2 grams**
- c) 4 cm long and weighing just over 2 grams
- d) 3 cm long and weighing just over 2 grams

6. Brown Tremblers can be found in the Lesser Antilles but is rare on which of the following islands?

- a) Saba
- b) St Kitts
- c) **St Lucia**
- d) Guadeloupe

Bonus point for anyone who droops their "wings" (arms) and trembles them like the Brown Tumbler

7. What's that bird calling?

- a) Cuban Parakeet
- b) Vervain Hummingbird
- c) Yellow-shouldered Grassquit
- d) Greater Antillean Grackle

Call described as a loud, repeated *crick-crick-crick*.

8. What colour is the Yellow-shouldered Grassquit eggs?

- a) Yellow with white spots
- b) Black with yellow spots
- c) White with brown spots
- d) Cream with yellow spots

9. The Loggerhead Kingbird has a blackish head with a yellow-orange patch on the crown that only shows when it is excited.

True

False

The Loggerhead Kingbird's yellow-orange patch is well concealed and rarely seen when it's just perched on a branch.

10. Which of the following does the Jamaican Spindalis *not* eat?

- a) Leaves
- b) Nectar
- c) Fruits
- d) Lizards

11. All birds of prey, like the Gundlach's Hawk, are described as having what kind of beak?

- a) Pointed
- b) Narrow
- c) Flat
- d) Hooked

12. In which of the following habitats will you *not* find the Greater Antillean Grackle?

- a) Mangroves
- b) Forests
- c) Gardens
- d) None of the above

13. For their size, hummingbirds have the largest _____ of all birds.

- a) Brain
- b) Wings
- c) Eyes
- d) Beak

14. Which of the following birds is known to lay its eggs in the nest of the Hispaniolan Oriole?

- a) Hispaniolan Spindalis
- b) Shiny Cowbird
- c) Broad-billed Tody
- d) La Selle Thrush

15. What's that bird calling?

- a) Greater Antillean Grackle
- b) Puerto Rican Screech-Owl
- c) Cuban Crow
- d) Puerto Rican Lizard-Cuckoo

Call is described as a 4-syllable song "*cling cling clii-ing*" that sounds like a rusty hinge.