Bumblebee Detective

Challenge your friends with these bumblebee facts!

Q: How many species of bumblebee are there in the UK?

A: 25

Q: Why do bumblebees buzz?

A: Although most think it's cause by their tiny wings flapping, the buzz is actually the sound of their muscles vibrating!

Q: How long is a bumblebees tongue?

A: Some bumblebees have really long tongues - up to 20mm in length!

Did you know...

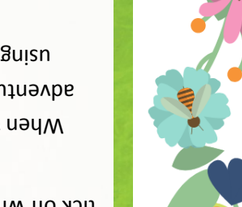
Bumblebees have smelly feet! They leave a smelly trail (pheromone) on flowers that they have visited to let other bumblebees know it will be low on nectar or pollen.

See how many of these bumblebees you can find on your spring walk.

☐ **Garden Bumblebee**

☐ **Common Carder Bee**

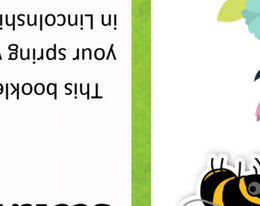
☐ **White-tailed Bumblebee**



☐ **Red-tailed Bumblebee**

☐ **Early Bumblebee**

☐ **Tawny-mining Bee**



☐ **Buff-tailed Bumblebee**

☐ **Leaf-cutter Bee**

☐ **Hairy-footed Flower Bee**

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Tick-a-long

Can you complete this list on your spring trail?

1. Find 3 things that are yellow ☐
2. Spot the bird that's singing the loudest ☐
3. Hunt for a woodlouse under a stone ☐
4. Follow a butterfly feeding on flowers ☐
5. Take a sniff of a fresh mole hill ☐
6. Have a family selfie! ☐

Design your own butterfly

There are almost 60 different species of butterfly in the UK. Spot one on your spring trail and have a go at drawing it below.

Not sure what species you've spotted? Send us your picture and we'll help you identify it!

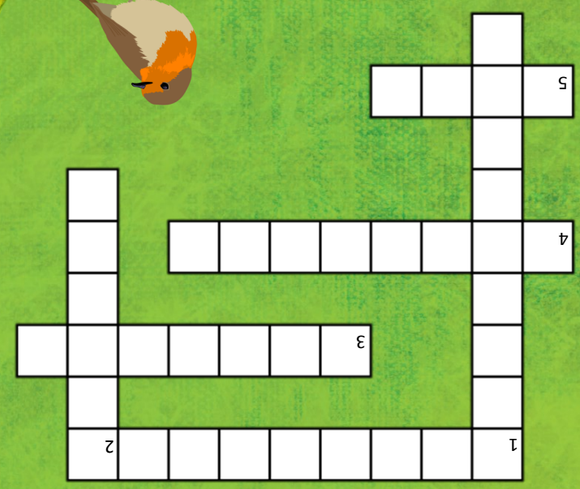
Match the pairs

Can you match all the animals with their collective nouns? (Answers at the bottom!)

Bees	**Kaleidoscope**
Owls	**Swarm**
Butterflies	**Paddle**
Mice	**Parliament**
Ducks	**Cloud**
Tadpoles	**Mischief**

Spring puzzle

1a. This colourful insect started life as a caterpillar
1d. White-tailed, Red-tailed or Buff-tailed...
2. Daffodils are this colour
3. The name for a baby frog hatched from frogspawn
4. This flower forms 'blue carpets' in woodlands
5. You'd find this amphibian under rocks or in ponds



Answers: Swarm of bees, parliament of owls, kaleidoscope of butterflies, mischief of mice, paddle of ducks, cloud of tadpoles

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SUPER SPRING TRAIL

See it. Feel it. Hear it. Discover it. MAKE IT WILD

This booklet is packed with ideas and fun games to make your spring walk *wild*. Designed so it can be done anywhere in Lincolnshire, spotting, smelling, listening, colouring, there are lots of things that you can do! You'll need something to tick off what you have spotted, heard and created, so don't forget your pencils!

When you've finished you can share your spring trail adventure with us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram using **#LincsWildlife** - we'd love to hear from you!

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