

Researching protected species

In the film "Conservation Fact File 6- The Return of the Goggle Eyed Wader" you learned about ways in which farmers and gamekeepers manage their land to help protect endangered birds such as the stone curlew.

Recap

The stone curlew (or goggle-eyed wader) is a **migratory** bird, which nests in the UK. Its nests consist of **scrapes** on bare ground and they **brood** two chicks two days apart. The chicks **fledge** at 45 days old. They eat insects and other **invertebrates**.



Activity 1 - Look up these words and phrases and make notes about their meaning.

Migratory Birds	
Bird Broods	
Fledge	
Scrape nest	
Invertebrates	
Habitat degradation	
Intensification of farming	

Activity 2-using the following websites (or others you may find) research the ideal habitats of the stone curlew.

[The RSPB Wildlife Charity: Nature Reserves & Wildlife Conservation](#)

<https://www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/>



Activity 3-research the threats to birds which nest on the ground in the UK. You may want to search '*threats to grey partridge, red grouse, lapwing, stone curlew, snipe*'- **explain some of the threats to ground nesting birds below.**