

Cuckoo Lays an Egg

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A mother cuckoo bird

Mom looks for a nest.

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The mother bird stops

Mom sees a nest.

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Reed warbler nest

It is not her nest.

The nest has eggs in it.

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The cuckoo egg is bigger

Mom lays her egg.

Then she goes.

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Reed warbler

The cuckoo is born.

He pushes out the other eggs.

They fall from the nest.

Now there are no more eggs.

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Reed warblers raise the cuckoo chick

The cuckoo grows fast.

The cuckoo grows big.



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The warblers sit on the eggs.

The eggs look the same.

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Reed warbler

The cuckoo is born first.

The warblers think he is their baby.

They go to get him food.

The baby pushes the eggs.

The eggs fall out of the nest.

The eggs fall to the ground.

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The cuckoo grows too big for the nest

The cuckoo grows fast.

The warblers come back.

They feed the baby.

He grows fast.

He grows big.

He is a cuckoo.



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Reed warbler nest

It is a reed warbler nest.

There are three eggs inside.

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The cuckoo egg is bigger

Mom lays her egg next to the other eggs.

Then she leaves it there and flies away.

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Reed warbler

The reed warblers sit on the nest.

The eggs look the same.

The cuckoo hatches first.

The reed warbler thinks he is her baby.

She goes to get him food.

The baby gets to work.

He pushes the other eggs out of the nest.

They fall to the ground.

There are no more eggs.

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The cuckoo grows too big for the nest

The mom comes back.

She feeds the cuckoo baby every day.

He grows big very fast.

He is bigger than a reed warbler.

He is a cuckoo.

