# All 50 U.S. State Birds Quiz

Use this key to check answers and read the explanations.

1. Which quail is California’s official state bird?
   - A. California Quail
   - B. Gambel’s Quail
   - C. Mountain Quail
   - D. Northern Bobwhite

   Correct answer: A. California Quail
   California’s state bird is the California Quail. A California Gull, despite its name, is the state bird of Utah.

2. Which native goose represents Hawaii as its state bird?
   - A. Snow Goose
   - B. Canada Goose
   - C. Nēnē
   - D. Ross’s Goose

   Correct answer: C. Nēnē
   Hawaii’s state bird is the nēnē, also called the Hawaiian Goose.

3. Which oriole is Maryland’s official state bird?
   - A. Bullock’s Oriole
   - B. Baltimore Oriole
   - C. Orchard Oriole
   - D. Hooded Oriole

   Correct answer: B. Baltimore Oriole
   Maryland’s state bird is the Baltimore Oriole. Its name also identifies the city of Baltimore.

4. Arizona selected a wren as its state bird. Which one?
   - A. Canyon Wren
   - B. Carolina Wren
   - C. Rock Wren
   - D. Cactus Wren

   Correct answer: D. Cactus Wren
   The Cactus Wren represents Arizona. South Carolina selected the Carolina Wren.

5. Which chicken breed is the official state bird of Rhode Island?
   A. Plymouth Rock
   B. Rhode Island Red
   C. New Hampshire Red
   D. Delaware Blue Hen
   Correct answer: B. Rhode Island Red
   Rhode Island selected the Rhode Island Red. The Blue Hen chicken represents Delaware.

6. The state bird of Nevada is a bluebird. Which species is it?
   A. Mountain Bluebird
   B. Western Bluebird
   C. Eastern Bluebird
   D. Indigo Bunting
   Correct answer: A. Mountain Bluebird
   Nevada shares the Mountain Bluebird with Idaho. The Eastern Bluebird represents New York and Missouri.

7. Which bluebird appears as the state bird in a New York state symbols guide?
   A. Violet-green Swallow
   B. Mountain Bluebird
   C. Western Bluebird
   D. Eastern Bluebird
   Correct answer: D. Eastern Bluebird
   New York’s state bird is the Eastern Bluebird. Nevada and Idaho use the Mountain Bluebird.

8. Which species of loon did Minnesota choose as its state bird?
   A. Red-throated Loon
   B. Pacific Loon
   C. Common Loon
   D. Yellow-billed Loon
   Correct answer: C. Common Loon
   The Common Loon is the state bird of Minnesota. Several other loon species are found in North America.

9. Which finch serves as New Hampshire’s state bird?
   A. Purple Finch
   B. House Finch
   C. American Goldfinch
   D. Pine Grosbeak
   Correct answer: A. Purple Finch
   New Hampshire selected the Purple Finch. Nearby Massachusetts uses a chickadee.

10. Which pelican represents Louisiana as its state bird?

A. Pink-backed Pelican
B. American White Pelican
C. Australian Pelican
D. Brown Pelican

Correct answer: D. Brown Pelican
Louisiana chose the Brown Pelican. The American White Pelican is a different species.

11. A study card says that Utah’s state bird is a gull with another state’s name in its common name. Which bird completes the card?

A. Western Gull
B. Ring-billed Gull
C. California Gull
D. American Herring Gull

Correct answer: C. California Gull
The California Gull is Utah’s state bird. California itself recognizes the California Quail.

12. A state symbols card for Alabama uses the name Yellowhammer. Which bird does that name identify in this context?

A. The Yellow Warbler
B. The yellow-shafted Northern Flicker
C. The Western Meadowlark
D. The American Goldfinch

Correct answer: B. The yellow-shafted Northern Flicker
In Alabama’s designation, Yellowhammer refers to the yellow-shafted form of the Northern Flicker.

13. A species guide calls Washington’s state bird an American Goldfinch. What name appears in Washington’s state-bird law?

A. Lawrence’s Goldfinch
B. Eastern Bluebird
C. Lesser Goldfinch
D. Willow Goldfinch

Correct answer: D. Willow Goldfinch
Washington’s law uses Willow Goldfinch for its state bird. The federal guide lists it as American Goldfinch.

14. A guide to Maine says that the law gives a precise species name for its state bird. Which revision matches the law’s wording?

A. It designates the chickadee and leaves the species unspecified.
B. It designates only the Black-capped Chickadee.
C. It designates only the Boreal Chickadee.
D. It designates the Carolina Wren and leaves the species unspecified.

Correct answer: A. It designates the chickadee and leaves the species unspecified.
Maine’s statute names the chickadee. It gives no species for that designation.

15. Pennsylvania’s Game Commission calls one of the following birds the official state bird. Which game bird is it?

A. Willow Ptarmigan
B. Ring-necked Pheasant
C. Ruffed Grouse
D. Northern Bobwhite

Correct answer: C. Ruffed Grouse
Pennsylvania’s Game Commission identifies the Ruffed Grouse as the state bird. South Dakota and Alaska each chose a different game bird.

16. Which bird represents Alaska as its official state bird?

A. Willow Ptarmigan
B. Rock Ptarmigan
C. Ruffed Grouse
D. Common Raven

Correct answer: A. Willow Ptarmigan
Alaska selected the Willow Ptarmigan. The Rock Ptarmigan is a different species found in Alaska.

17. Which bird represents Arkansas as its official state bird?

A. Eastern Bluebird
B. Brown Thrasher
C. Northern Mockingbird
D. Northern Cardinal

Correct answer: C. Northern Mockingbird
Arkansas designates the Northern Mockingbird as its state bird.

18. Which bird represents Colorado as its official state bird?

A. Lark Sparrow
B. Lark Bunting
C. Western Meadowlark
D. Mountain Bluebird

Correct answer: B. Lark Bunting
Colorado designates the Lark Bunting as its state bird.

19. Which bird represents Connecticut as its official state bird?
    A. Northern Cardinal
    B. Eastern Bluebird
    C. Purple Finch
    D. American Robin
    Correct answer: D. American Robin
    Connecticut designates the American Robin as its state bird.

20. Which bird represents Delaware as its official state bird?
    A. Rhode Island Red
    B. Blue Hen Chicken
    C. Baltimore Oriole
    D. American Robin
    Correct answer: B. Blue Hen Chicken
    Delaware’s law identifies the Blue Hen Chicken as the state bird. The Rhode Island Red is a different chicken designation.

21. Which bird represents Florida as its official state bird?
    A. Northern Mockingbird
    B. American Flamingo
    C. Florida Scrub-Jay
    D. Brown Pelican
    Correct answer: A. Northern Mockingbird
    The Florida Department of State lists the mockingbird as the state bird.

22. Which bird represents Georgia as its official state bird?
    A. Northern Cardinal
    B. Northern Mockingbird
    C. Carolina Wren
    D. Brown Thrasher
    Correct answer: D. Brown Thrasher
    Georgia designates the Brown Thrasher as its state bird.

23. Which bird represents Idaho as its official state bird?
    A. Eastern Bluebird
    B. Western Bluebird
    C. Mountain Bluebird
    D. Western Meadowlark
    Correct answer: C. Mountain Bluebird
    Idaho designates the Mountain Bluebird as its state bird.

24. Which bird represents Illinois as its official state bird?
    A. Northern Cardinal
    B. American Robin
    C. Eastern Bluebird
    D. American Goldfinch
    Correct answer: A. Northern Cardinal
    Illinois designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

25. Which bird represents Indiana as its official state bird?
    A. Carolina Wren
    B. American Robin
    C. Eastern Bluebird
    D. Northern Cardinal
    Correct answer: D. Northern Cardinal
    Indiana designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

26. Which bird represents Iowa as its official state bird?
    A. Western Meadowlark
    B. Purple Finch
    C. American Goldfinch
    D. Northern Cardinal
    Correct answer: C. American Goldfinch
    The Iowa Department of Natural Resources identifies the American Goldfinch as Iowa’s state bird.

27. Which bird represents Kansas as its official state bird?
    A. Eastern Meadowlark
    B. Western Meadowlark
    C. Lark Bunting
    D. Northern Cardinal
    Correct answer: B. Western Meadowlark
    Kansas designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.

28. Which bird represents Kentucky as its official state bird?
    A. Northern Mockingbird
    B. Carolina Wren
    C. Brown Thrasher
    D. Northern Cardinal
    Correct answer: D. Northern Cardinal
    Kentucky designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

29. Which bird represents Massachusetts as its official state bird?

A. Black-capped Chickadee
B. Purple Finch
C. American Robin
D. Eastern Bluebird

Correct answer: A. Black-capped Chickadee
Massachusetts identifies the Black-capped Chickadee as its state bird.

30. Which bird represents Michigan as its official state bird?

A. Common Loon
B. Northern Cardinal
C. American Robin
D. Black-capped Chickadee

Correct answer: C. American Robin
Michigan designates the American Robin as its state bird.

31. Which bird represents Mississippi as its official state bird?

A. Northern Mockingbird
B. Brown Pelican
C. Brown Thrasher
D. Carolina Wren

Correct answer: A. Northern Mockingbird
Mississippi designates the Northern Mockingbird as its state bird.

32. Which bird represents Missouri as its official state bird?

A. Mountain Bluebird
B. Western Meadowlark
C. Eastern Bluebird
D. Northern Cardinal

Correct answer: C. Eastern Bluebird
Missouri designates the Eastern Bluebird as its state bird.

33. Which bird represents Montana as its official state bird?

A. Eastern Meadowlark
B. Western Meadowlark
C. Mountain Bluebird
D. Lark Bunting

Correct answer: B. Western Meadowlark
Montana designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.

34. Which bird represents Nebraska as its official state bird?

A. Ring-necked Pheasant
B. Lark Bunting
C. Eastern Meadowlark
D. Western Meadowlark

Correct answer: D. Western Meadowlark
Nebraska designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.

35. Which bird represents New Jersey as its official state bird?

A. Purple Finch
B. Eastern Goldfinch
C. House Finch
D. Baltimore Oriole

Correct answer: B. Eastern Goldfinch
New Jersey’s law uses Eastern Goldfinch, another name for the American Goldfinch.

36. Which bird represents New Mexico as its official state bird?

A. Greater Roadrunner
B. Lesser Roadrunner
C. Cactus Wren
D. California Quail

Correct answer: A. Greater Roadrunner
New Mexico’s Secretary of State identifies the Greater Roadrunner as the state bird.

37. Which bird represents North Carolina as its official state bird?

A. Brown Thrasher
B. Carolina Wren
C. Northern Mockingbird
D. Northern Cardinal

Correct answer: D. Northern Cardinal
North Carolina designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

38. Which bird represents North Dakota as its official state bird?

A. Ring-necked Pheasant
B. Eastern Meadowlark
C. Western Meadowlark
D. American Robin

Correct answer: C. Western Meadowlark
North Dakota designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.

39. Which bird represents Ohio as its official state bird?
A. Northern Cardinal
B. American Robin
C. Ruffed Grouse
D. Eastern Bluebird
Correct answer: A. Northern Cardinal
Ohio designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

40. Which bird represents Oklahoma as its official state bird?
A. Western Meadowlark
B. Fork-tailed Flycatcher
C. Western Kingbird
D. Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
Correct answer: D. Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
Oklahoma designates the Scissor-tailed Flycatcher as its state bird.

41. Which bird represents Oregon as its official state bird?
A. American Goldfinch
B. California Quail
C. Western Meadowlark
D. Mountain Bluebird
Correct answer: C. Western Meadowlark
Oregon designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.

42. Which bird represents South Carolina as its official state bird?
A. Northern Cardinal
B. Carolina Wren
C. Northern Mockingbird
D. Brown Thrasher
Correct answer: B. Carolina Wren
South Carolina designates the Carolina Wren as its state bird.

43. Which bird represents South Dakota as its official state bird?
A. Greater Prairie-Chicken
B. Western Meadowlark
C. Ruffed Grouse
D. Ring-necked Pheasant
Correct answer: D. Ring-necked Pheasant
South Dakota’s law names the ring-neck pheasant, also called the Ring-necked Pheasant.

44. Which bird represents Tennessee as its official state bird?

A. Northern Mockingbird
B. Northern Cardinal
C. Carolina Wren
D. Brown Thrasher

Correct answer: A. Northern Mockingbird
Tennessee designates the Northern Mockingbird as its state bird.

45. Which bird represents Texas as its official state bird?

A. Scissor-tailed Flycatcher
B. Golden-cheeked Warbler
C. Northern Mockingbird
D. Greater Roadrunner

Correct answer: C. Northern Mockingbird
The Texas Government Code names the mockingbird. Texas Parks and Wildlife identifies it as the Northern Mockingbird.

46. Which bird represents Vermont as its official state bird?

A. Hermit Thrush
B. Wood Thrush
C. American Robin
D. Purple Finch

Correct answer: A. Hermit Thrush
Vermont designates the Hermit Thrush as its state bird.

47. Which bird represents Virginia as its official state bird?

A. Baltimore Oriole
B. Carolina Wren
C. Northern Cardinal
D. Northern Mockingbird

Correct answer: C. Northern Cardinal
Virginia designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

48. Which bird represents West Virginia as its official state bird?

A. Ruffed Grouse
B. Northern Cardinal
C. American Robin
D. Tufted Titmouse

Correct answer: B. Northern Cardinal
West Virginia designates the Northern Cardinal as its state bird.

49. Which bird represents Wisconsin as its official state bird?

A. Northern Cardinal
B. Common Loon
C. American Goldfinch
D. American Robin

Correct answer: D. American Robin
Wisconsin designates the American Robin as its state bird.

50. Which bird represents Wyoming as its official state bird?

A. Eastern Meadowlark
B. Western Meadowlark
C. Mountain Bluebird
D. Lark Bunting

Correct answer: B. Western Meadowlark
Wyoming designates the Western Meadowlark as its state bird.