



- The yellow yolk in the egg provides the chick with food.
- Birds and reptiles often have a temporary horn-like 'tooth' to help them break out of the egg.
- A clutch is the name for a number of eggs that a bird lays in one go.
- The ostrich egg is the biggest in the world.
- The smallest egg in the world is laid by the bee hummingbird.
- The great spotted woodpecker incubates its egg for only ten days.
- The first fossilized dinosaur eggs found were 1 foot (30 cm) long, 10 inches (25 cm) wide, had a volume of about half a gallon (2 litres), and may have weighed up to 15.5 pounds (7 kg).
- When animals started to walk on land, the soft-shelled eggs of amphibians became hard shelled eggs of reptiles for increased protection and to stop the egg drying out.