Cuckoo Lays an Egg

Mom looks for a nest.

A mother cuckoo bird

Mom sees a nest.

The mother bird stops

It is not her nest.

The nest has eggs in it.

Reed warbler nest
Cuckoo Lays an Egg

The cuckoo egg is bigger

Mom lays her egg.
Then she goes.

The cuckoo is born.
He pushes out the other eggs.
They fall from the nest.
Now there are no more eggs.

Reed warbler

Reed warblers raise the cuckoo chick

The cuckoo grows fast.
The cuckoo grows big.
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Mom lays her egg.
Then she goes.
The warblers sit on the eggs.
The eggs look the same.

The cuckoo egg is bigger

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.

Reed warbler

The cuckoo grows fast.
The warblers come back.
They feed the baby.
He grows fast.
He grows big.
He is a cuckoo.

The cuckoo grows too big for the nest
Cuckoo Lays an Egg

Mom looks for a nest.

Mom sees a nest.

It is a reed warbler nest.
There are three eggs inside.

Mom lays her egg next to the other eggs.
Then she leaves it there and flies away.
Cuckoo Lays an Egg

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.

Reed warbler

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.

The cuckoo grows too big for the nest