

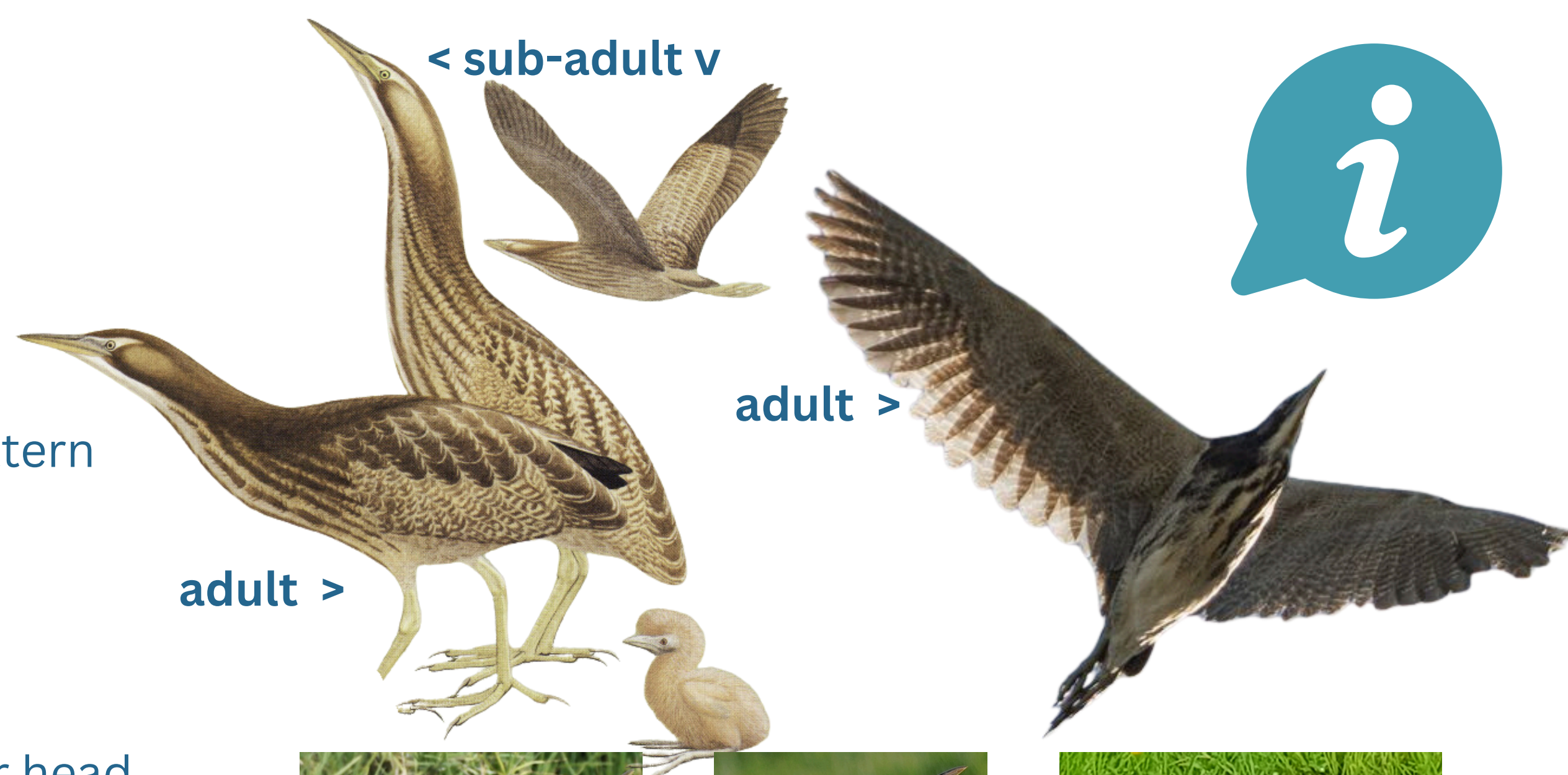
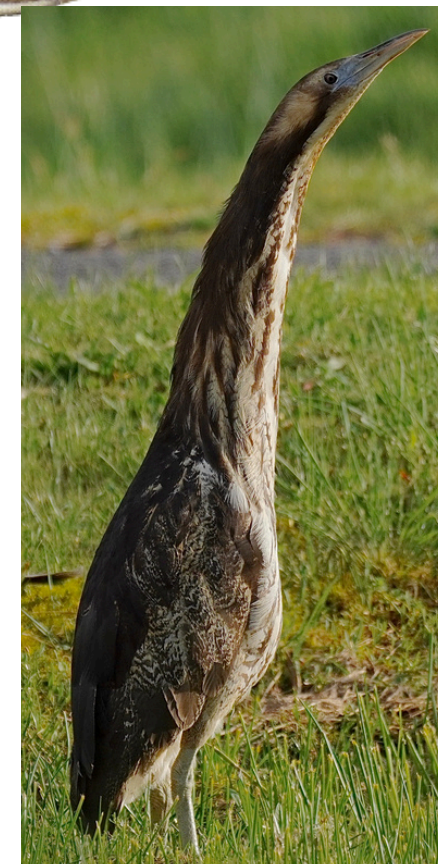
# Aging bittern

## Young bittern

- yellow eyes
- green legs
- down or more intricate pattern
- no signs of moult in wings

## Adult bittern

- amber, darker eyes
- darker, merged colour over head, shoulders, back
- paler legs



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# Bittern Gender

## Female

- Smaller (900g)
- sole care of nest and chicks



## Males

- Bigger (1.4kg+, up to 90cm tall)
- only the male booms
- Blue lore

