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Why birds migrate! Do birds migrate because of changing weather conditions, insufficient food, lessening sunlight, or what? Some believe that originally they lived in the tropics, which finally became overpopulated. They then went north to breed and feed, but were driven back each year by the cold of approaching fall. Another school believe that they lived originally in the North, were driven south by the ice age, but went back home every spring to feed and breed until it became a habit. One species, the arctic tern, breeds within 500 miles of the North Pole, and in the fall flies south 11,000 miles, presumably to get more hours of sunlight.

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