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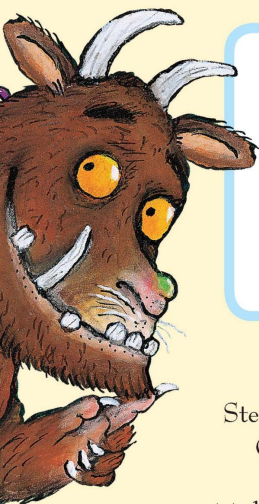
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The Gruffalo

Summer Nature Trail



This book belongs to
Gruffalo Explorer

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Step inside the deep dark wood and join the Gruffalo for a fun family nature trail.

To be a true Gruffalo Nature Explorer, you'll need to keep your eyes open and your ears to the ground, and don't forget to take this guide with you! It's full of games, activities and hundreds of stickers to keep you looking for and learning about nature. So run outside while the weather is warm and see how much nature you can spot!



If it's sunny outside,
don't forget the sun block

~~~~~ And maybe even a hat!



# Take a stroll through the deep dark wood . . .

Look at all the pictures below. How many of these can you see on your stroll?  
Put a Gruffalo paw sticker next to each one.



You'll need your sticker page for this activity



Did you find them all? Come back another day



Grass



Feather



Pine cone



Snail



Moss



Butterfly



Sticks



Tree bark



Tree stump



Ants



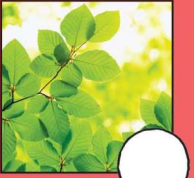
Spider's web



Squelchy mud



Green leaf



Crunchy leaves



Bird



Squirrel



Yellow flower



Worm



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Nest



Blue flower



Beetle



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Mushrooms



Caterpillar



Hollow tree



## Colours in Nature

For every colourful thing you see, find the matching colour sticker and stick it in the matching colour box.

What can you see that's green?



Leaf

We've done the first one for you ~~~



I can see a green wart!



Bugs often use their colour as camouflage, which means we blend in with our background ~~~



You can write down what you've seen, or draw a picture. Then try counting up the stickers at the end of your walk.

What can you see that's brown?



I think I saw a small, brown mouse!

Blending in helps us hide from creatures that might want us for lunch!

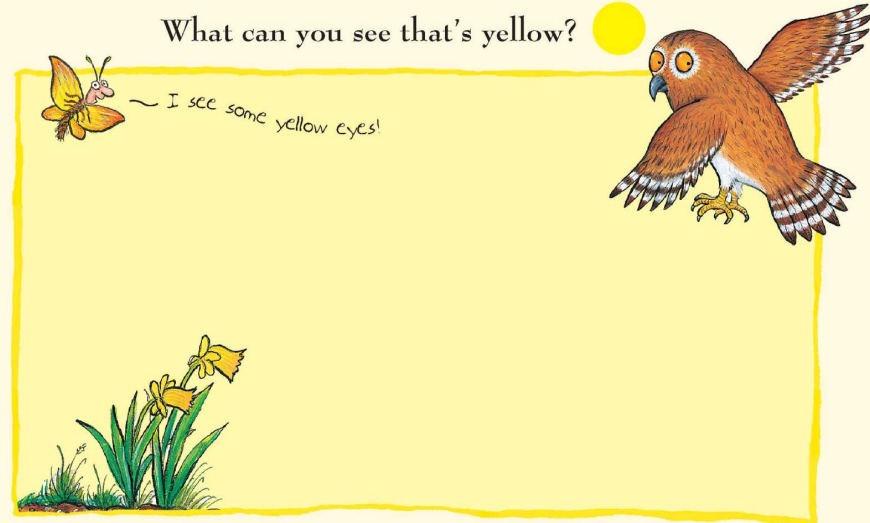


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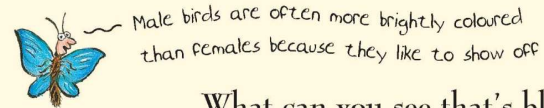
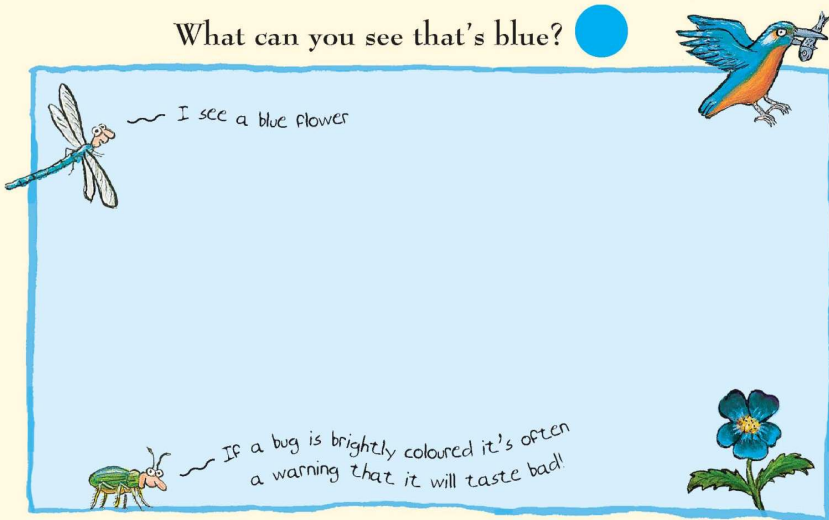
What can you see that's red?



What can you see that's yellow?



What can you see that's blue?



What can you see that's black?



## Name That Tree



There are many different types of tree, each with differently shaped leaves. How many can you see? Put a special leaf sticker next to each one you spot.

|                                                                                   |                                                                                   |                                                                                   |                                                                                   |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Hawthorn                                                                          | Birch                                                                             | Alder                                                                             | Oak                                                                               |
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|  |  |  |  |
| Ash                                                                               | Hazel                                                                             | Holly                                                                             | Maple                                                                             |
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|  |  |  |  |
| Elder                                                                             | Horse Chestnut                                                                    | Sycamore                                                                          | Beech                                                                             |
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How many fallen leaves can you collect on your walk?  
Try and collect as many different types as you can.  
Can you find any that match the shapes above?



Using the pictures above, can you name the tree they came from?



You could also take the leaves home and make a leaf collage

## A Leaf Crown

All good tree spotters deserve a crown!  
Here's how to make one:

-  You will need a paper strip, double-sided sticky tape and some lovely leaves. Make sure your paper strip is big enough to fit your head.
-  Place one side of the double-sided sticky tape around the outside of the crown, and stick into position.
-  Use glue or tape to fix the paper into a circular crown shape and double-check that it fits your head.
-  Once you have all your leaves ready, peel back the top layer of the sticky tape and push the leaves into place.

Impressive!

