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Kinds of animals

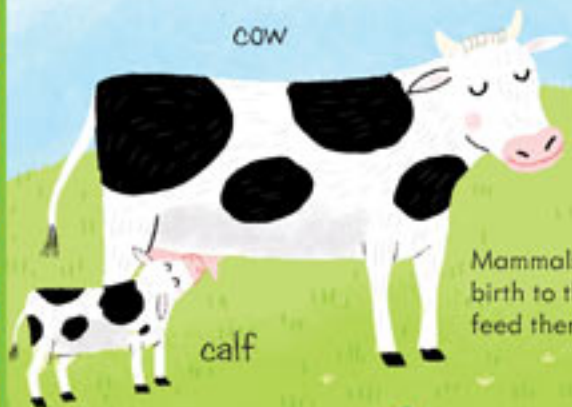
There are millions of animals in the world, from tiny bugs to huge whales, but they all fit into groups.



bird

Birds have feathers, wings and beaks and lay eggs. Find out more on page 16.

cow



calf

Mammals such as cows give birth to their babies and feed them on their milk.

Bugs and insects are animals too. There's more about them on pages 18 and 19.



insect

Lizards, snakes and other reptiles have dry, scaly skin. Most lay eggs.



snake



frog

frogspawn



Amphibians such as frogs have soft, damp skin and lay squishy eggs in water.



fish

The six main animal groups

Amphibians



frog



toad



salamander

Birds



flamingo



toucan



penguin

Insects



grasshopper



fly



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Mammals



whale



tiger



sheep

Fish



shark



goldfish



stingray

Reptiles



slow worm



gecko



chameleon

The deep dark sea

The further down you go in the sea, the colder and darker it gets. Different kinds of plants and animals live in each layer or 'zone'.

All sorts of fish, dolphins and whales live in the sunlit zone, along with all the plants.



humpback whale

Seabirds dive into the water to catch fish.



tuna



dolphin



jellyfish



basking shark



turtle



This is a coral reef.

sunlit zone

This is the twilight zone. It only gets a little light, but some kinds of sea animals live here.



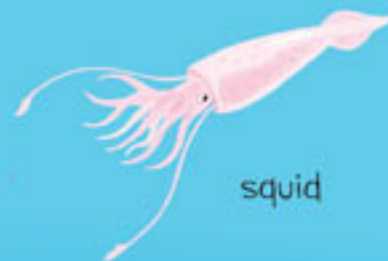
swordfish



flashlight fish



hatchet fish



squid



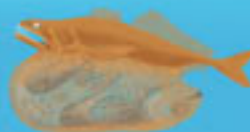
sperm whale

twilight zone

In the sunless zone, it's dark and the water is just above freezing. Only a few kinds of animals live here.



vampire squid



black swallower



cookiecutter shark

sunless zone

The abyssal zone is icy cold and dark all the time. Some strange fish live down here.



gulper eel



tripod fish



anglerfish

abyssal zone

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bird

fallen leaves

toadstools

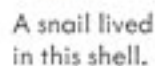
Look for all the things that live on an old rotting log.

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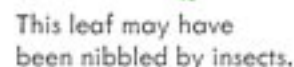
squirrel

These are the kinds of things you could collect to put on a nature table.

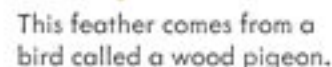
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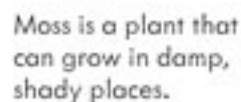
A snail lived
in this shell.



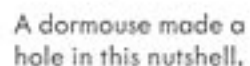
This leaf may have been nibbled by insects.



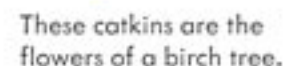
This feather comes from a bird called a wood pigeon.



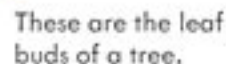
Moss is a plant that can grow in damp, shady places.



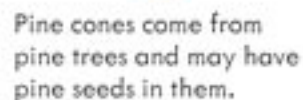
A dormouse made a hole in this nutshell.



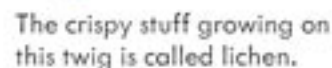
These catkins are the flowers of a birch tree.



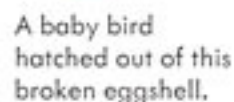
These are the leaf buds of a tree.



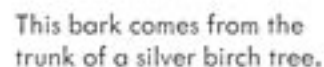
Pine cones come from pine trees and may have pine seeds in them.



The crispy stuff growing on this twig is called lichen.



A baby bird
hatched out of this
broken eggshell.



This bark comes from the trunk of a silver birch tree.

