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Wildlife in your garden

Every garden can be a good home for wildlife. More creatures will visit your garden if you give them the things they need. Ask a grown-up for help.

All wildlife needs food. A little overgrown corner provides animals with seeds, insects and other food all year round. Keep feeders topped up for birds and leave out some old fruit in winter.





All animals need a home. Thick bushes make good nesting places for birds. A rockery offers a home to frogs and toads. A tree hole might even hide a bat.

Water is important, too. A pond makes a home for all sorts of wildlife, while a birdbath offers a drink to many thirsty animals.

Are you ready to meet some garden wildlife? Read the clues on each Guess who! page to see if you can work out which animal is hiding there.

Then find the answer by turning the page.



Be a nature detective

It's not always easy working out who lives in your garden. Here are some clues to look out for.



Paw prints show that someone has been walking about.



A bright eye shows that someone is hiding in a hole.



Nibbled fruits and berries show that someone has been tucking into a meal.



Guess who!

Look! Paw prints in the snow. You have a secret visitor in your garden.

Do you see that bushy tail? Look closer, before it disappears.

Can you tell who it is?