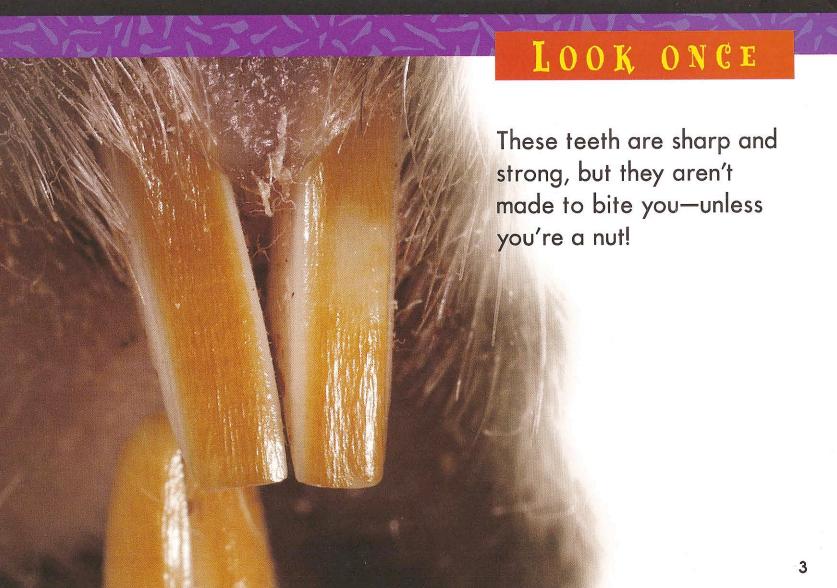


If you were a worm, these would look like giant blades, reaching high into the sky.

If no one cuts these blades of grass, they will grow high.
Little flowers will appear. But at the park, someone mows the grass,
and it becomes a bright green lawn instead.





With their sharp teeth, gray squirrels crack open acorns and other nuts. They also eat seeds and fruit.

Squirrels must chew on hard things to keep their front teeth from growing too long.



It's not a marble! It's the eye of a bird that everybody knows.



Pigeons love parks and park benches, too. Some pigeons can fly thousands of miles to find their way home. But this pigeon will probably stay in the park for most of its life.

This bushy tail belongs to a masked rascal who loves to explore.





If you think these are hooks, you're right. Walk by them and they'll hook onto you!



These burdock seeds have lots of little hooks that grab your clothing when you walk by. When an animal comes along, the seeds stick to its fur. This is how some seeds are carried to a new place.

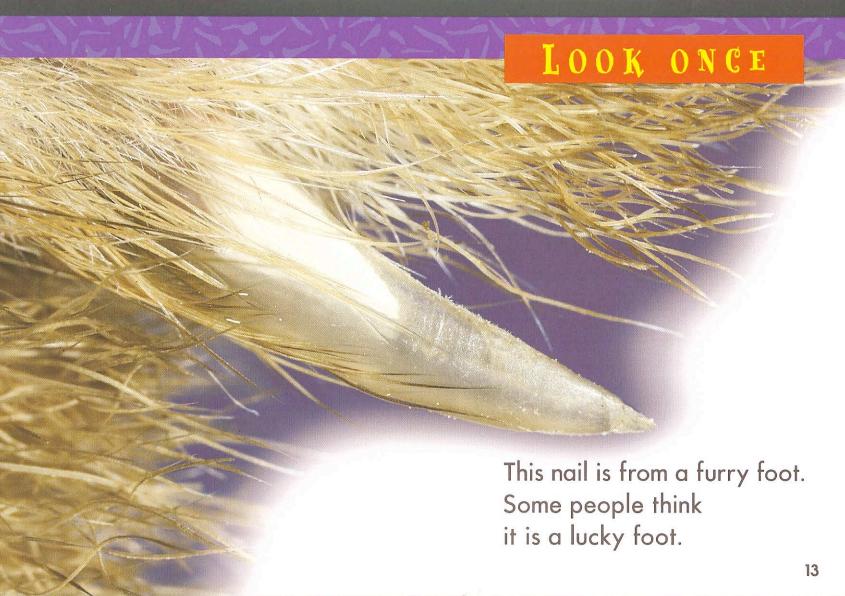




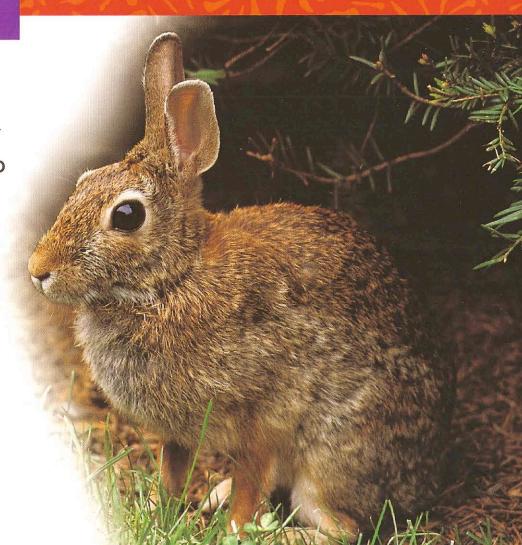
This is the bill of an "ugly duckling" that grew up to be an elegant . . .

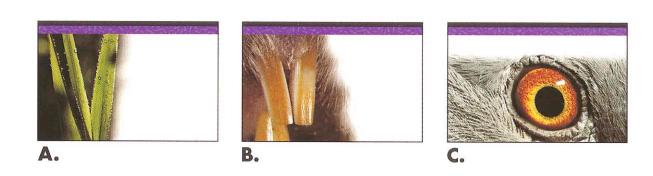
... swan. With its long neck, a graceful swan reaches down to find its food. It grasps underwater plants in its wide, flat bill. Then, it pulls them up from the bottom of the pond.





With her front feet, a cottontail rabbit mother digs a nest. She scoops up dirt and carves a "bowl" in the ground. She lines it with grass, leaves, and soft fur from her coat.













Look closely. Can you name these plants and animals?



A. Grass



B. Gray squirrel



C. Pigeon



D. Raccoon



E. Burdock



F. Swan



G. Cottontail rabbit

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