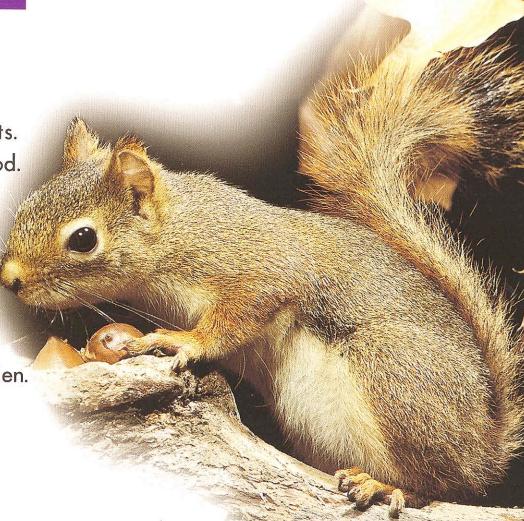


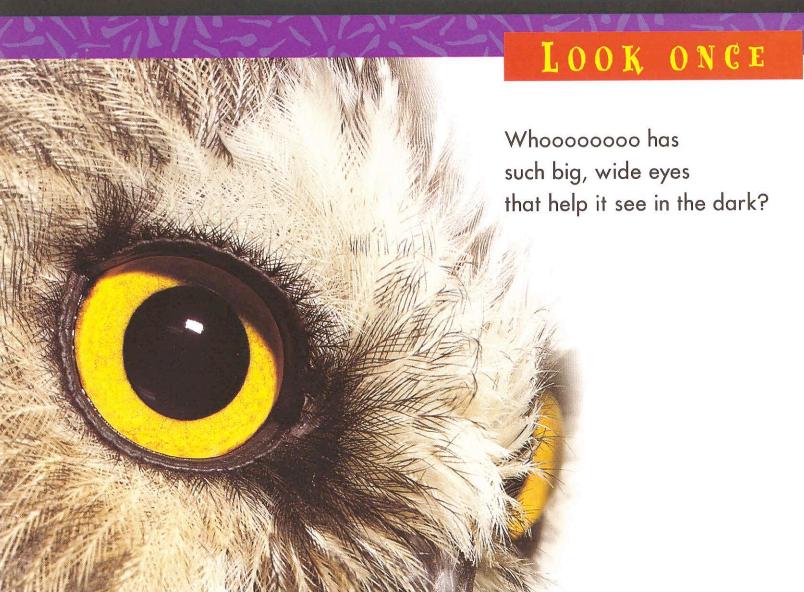
This hand is made for climbing trees and for holding seeds and nuts.

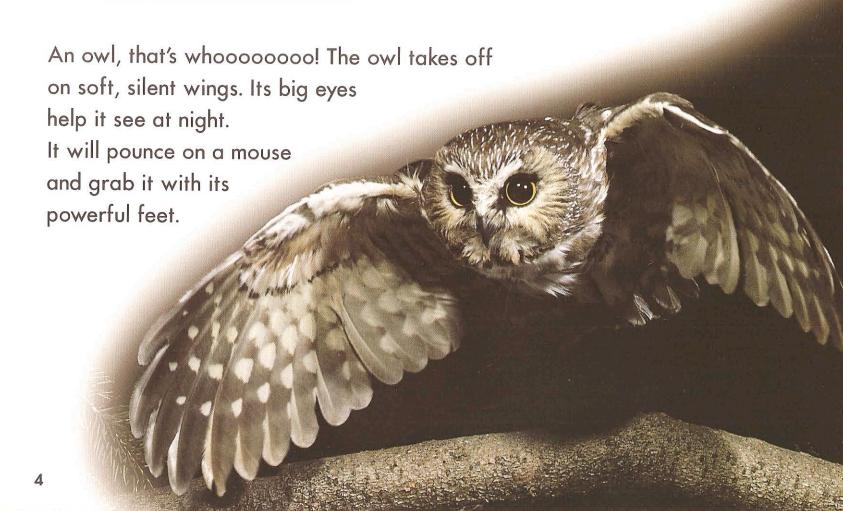
Their long nails help red squirrels climb tall trees.
Squirrels collect fruit and nuts.
Acorns are their favorite food.

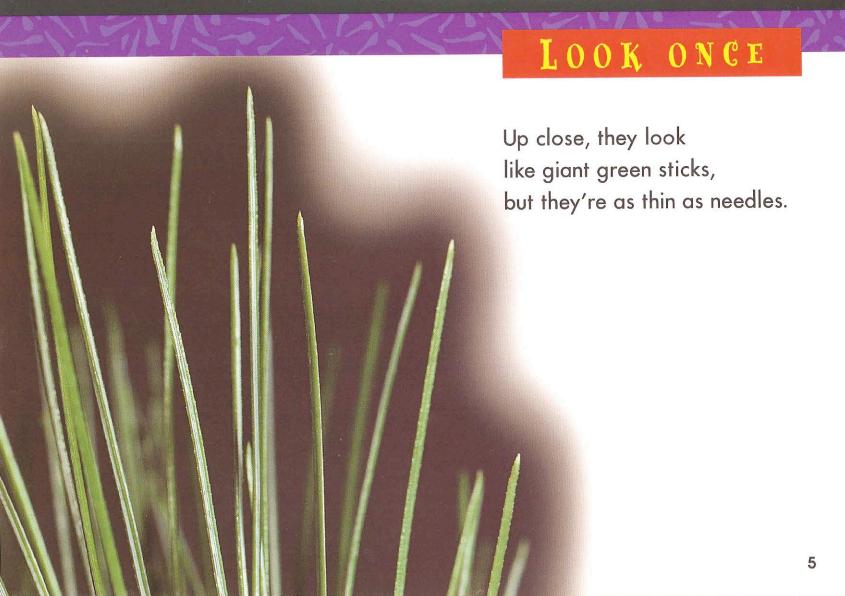
Squirrels do not eat all of their food right away. They hide some for another day.

Sometimes they cannot find all the acorns they have hidden. Those acorns may grow into oak trees.



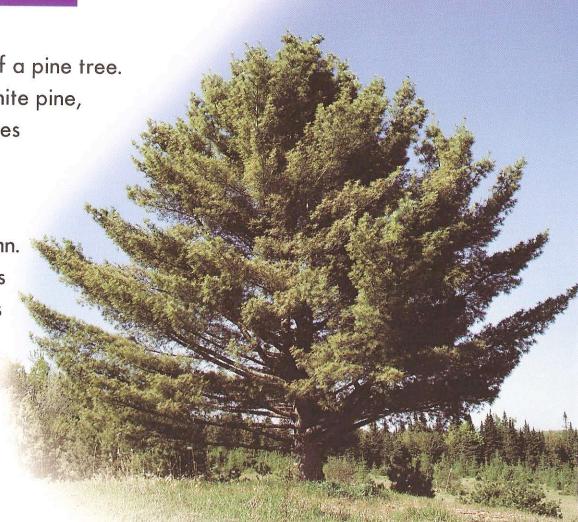


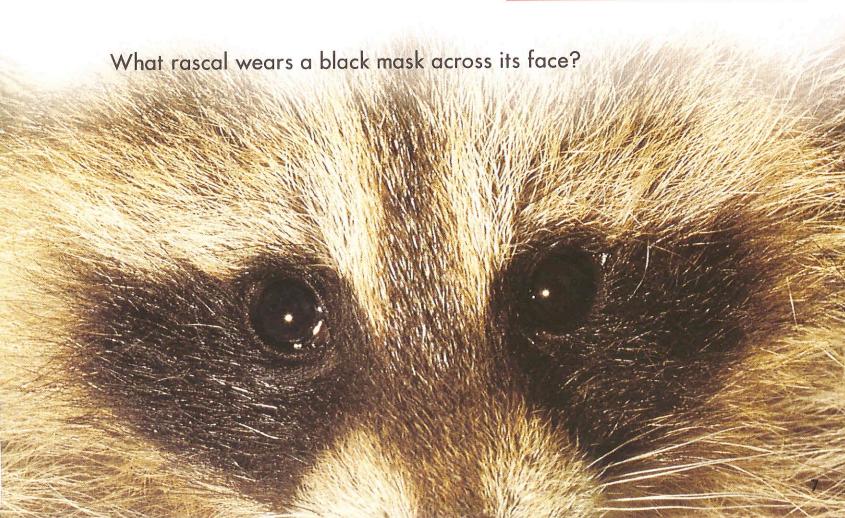




They are the needles of a pine tree. Some trees, like this white pine, have long, narrow leaves called "needles."

Some trees drop
all their leaves in autumn.
Most trees with needles
do not lose their leaves
all at once. They are
called "evergreen."





It's a raccoon, of course.

Raccoons are clever and curious.

They are always

trick-or-treating! If they can't

find treats, they try a trick,

like turning over garbage cans

at night. When they've had enough
to eat, they may curl up and go to
sleep in a hollow tree.



Up close, it looks like green and yellow candy. It is food—but only for birds.

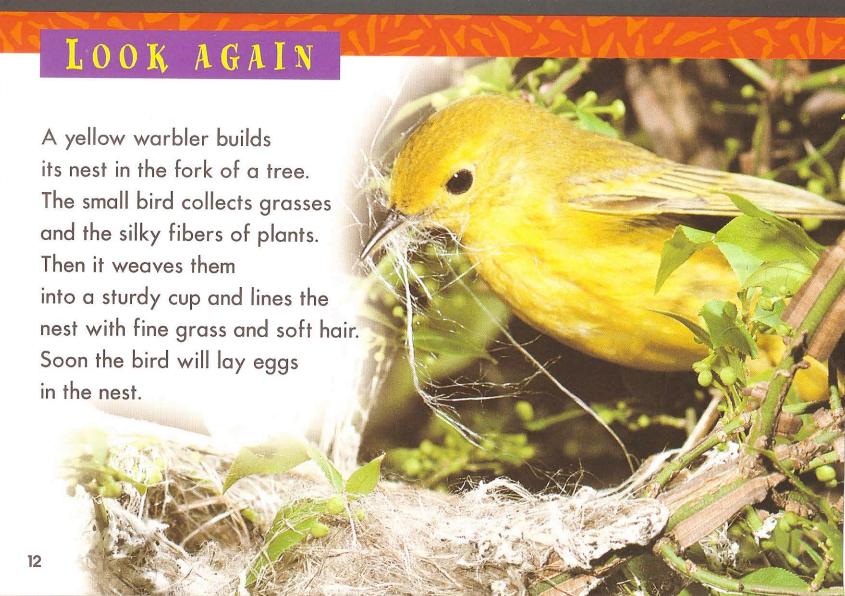


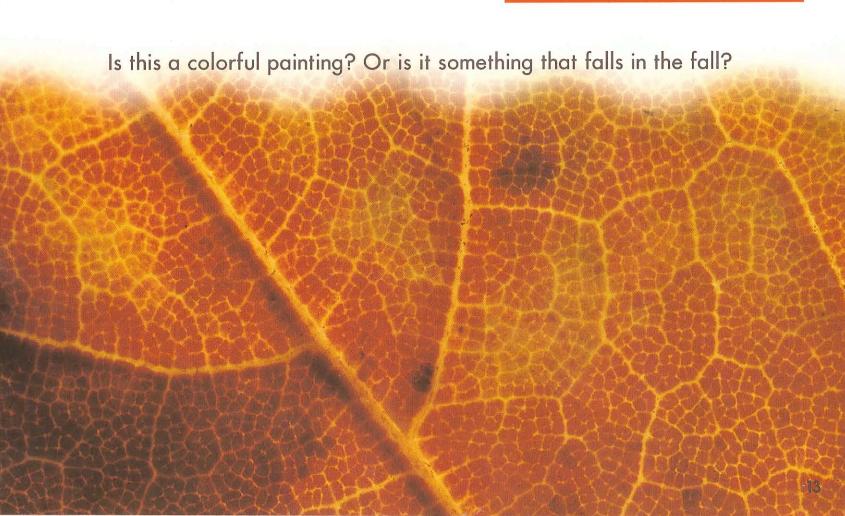
A caterpillar has six legs on the front of its body. It also has fleshy stumps called "prolegs" that grip twigs. Soon this caterpillar will become a luna moth. It will no longer have prolegs, but big, beautiful green wings.



Is this a mess that someone should clean up? Or is it here for a reason?





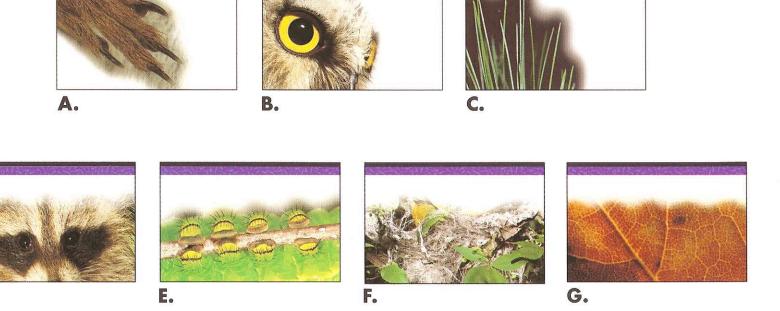




In the fall, many leaves change color.
They were green before, but now they can be red, yellow, orange, brown, purple, or green.

Where do all the colors come from? They were in the leaves all summer, but green pigment covered them up.

Now the green disappears, and you can see many colors. The leaves are very beautiful, but soon they will fall to the ground.



Look closely. Can you name these plants and animals?



A. Red squirrel



B. Owl



C. White pine



D. Raccoon



E. Luna moth caterpillar



F. Yellow warbler



G. Fall leaves

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