



## **Text: Microhabitats: What lives on a tree?**

### A tree

#### What lives on a tree?

- You might find some birds' nests up the top of a tree, where robins, wrens or owls live.
- Under the bark, you can find woodlice.
- On the leaves might be mites or caterpillars.



#### How can I explore it?

- Use binoculars.
- Gently pull off a bit of loose bark.
- Sweep a net through the leaves.

### Year 2 Reading

### Steppingstone activity

Date: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Skill: Retrieval



### Retrieval questions:

1. What birds might you find up the top of a tree?
2. What would you find under the bark?
3. How can you explore a tree?



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What lives on a tree?

- You might find some birds' nests or holes up the top of a tree, providing shelter to robins, wrens, owls or woodpeckers.
- Living beneath the bark, you are likely to discover woodlice feasting on the dead, damp wood.
- Making their homes on the leaves might be mites, moths or caterpillars.



How can I explore it?

- Use binoculars to peer up the top. (Make sure you wait patiently and quietly!)
- Very gently pull off a tiny piece of loose bark.
- Sweep a net through the leaves and see what you find in your net.

Questions

**Year 2 Reading**

**Date: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

**Skill: Retrieval**

**Retrieval questions:**

1. What do nests and holes up the top of the tree provide for birds?
2. List 3 birds that you might find at the top of a tree.
3. Who might be making their homes on the leaves?
4. Retrieve the verb used to describe what woodlice do to dead, damp wood.
5. Write a description of what you could do to explore a tree.