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One starry night, Otis Owl was sitting high in the trees, hunting for a tasty mouse. Suddenly, he spotted a shiny blue feather.



'I've never seen this sort of feather before,' he thought. 'I wonder who it belongs to...'



He asked his friend, Nabila Nightjar, "Have you seen any birds with feathers like this?"

"I've never seen this sort of feather before," said Nabila.
"Why don't you ask Nigel Nightingale?"





Otis took the feather to his friend, Nigel Nightingale.
"Have you seen any birds with feathers like this?"
he asked.

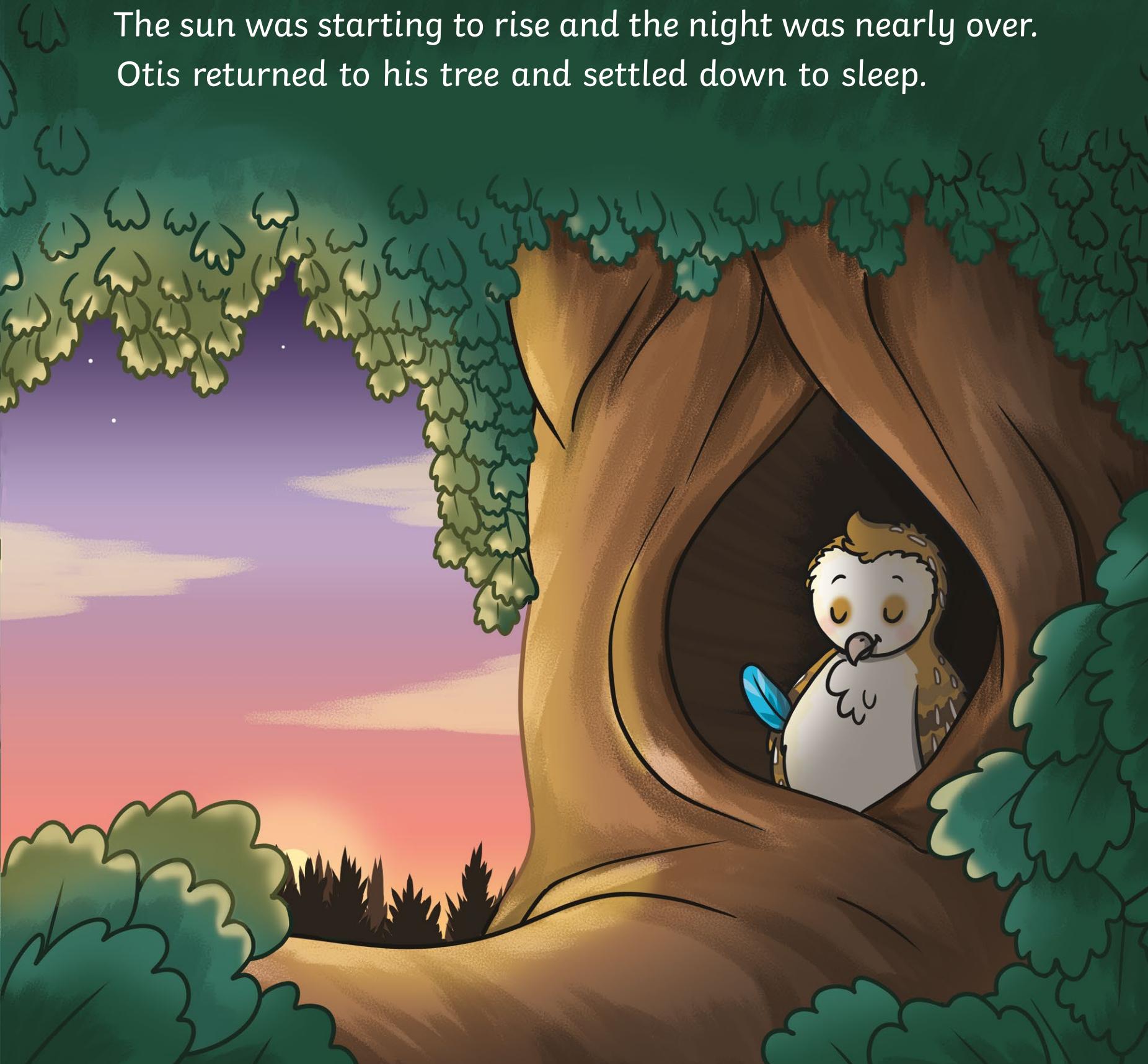
"I've never seen this sort of feather before," said Nigel.
"Why don't you ask Candace Corncrake?"

Otis flew to see his friend, Candace Corncrake. "Have you seen any birds with feathers like this?" he asked.

"I've never seen this sort of feather before," said Candace.
"Why don't you get some rest and search some more tomorrow night?"

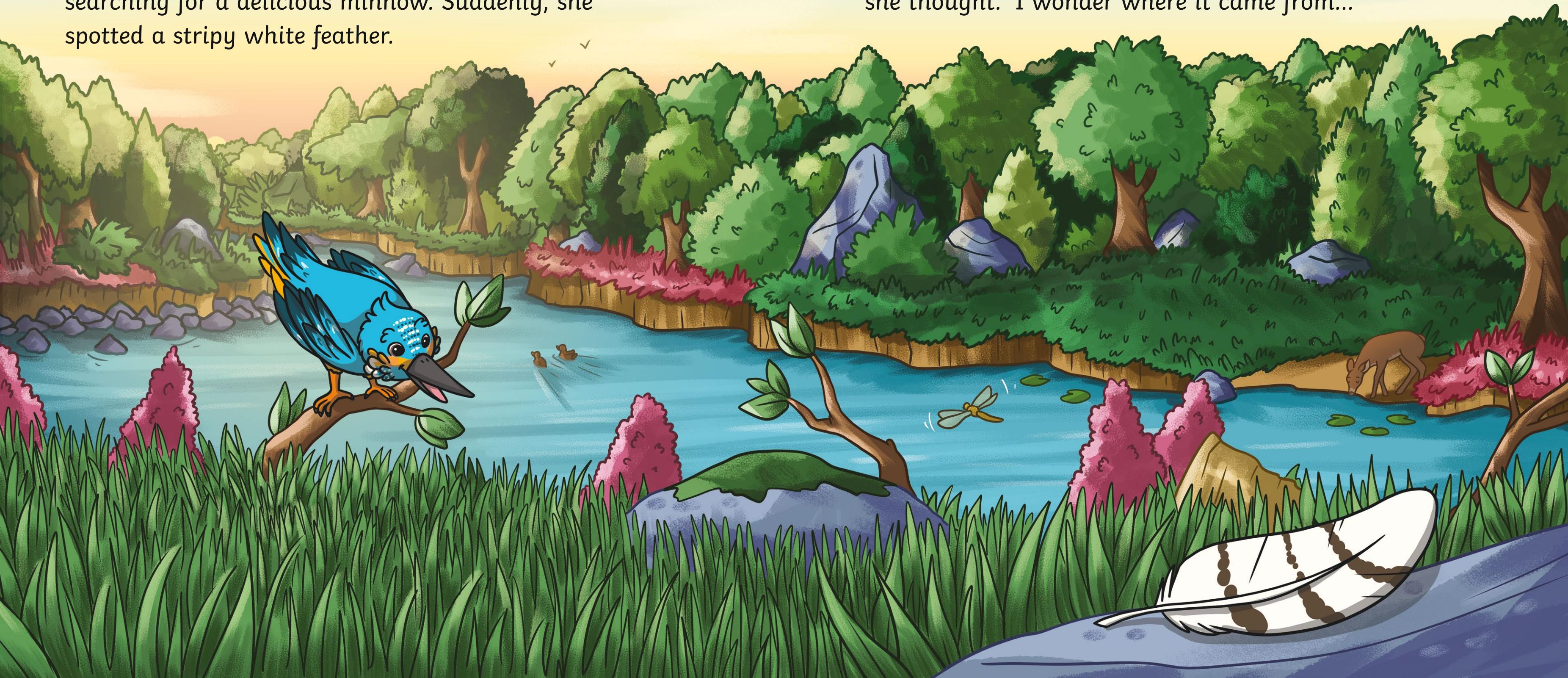


The sun was starting to rise and the night was nearly over. Otis returned to his tree and settled down to sleep.



That morning, Kia Kingfisher was sitting by the river, searching for a delicious minnow. Suddenly, she spotted a stripy white feather.

'I don't know any birds with feathers like this,' she thought. 'I wonder where it came from...'



She asked her friend, Wilma Woodpecker, "Do you know who might have dropped this feather?"

"I don't know any birds with feathers like this," said Wilma. "Why don't you ask Billy Blue Tit?"





Kia took the white feather to her friend, Billy Blue Tit. "Do you know who might have dropped this feather?" she asked.

"I don't know any birds with feathers like this," said Billy. "Why don't you ask Bertie Bullfinch?"

Kia flew to see her friend, Bertie Bullfinch. "Do you know who might have dropped this feather?" she asked.

"I don't know any birds with feathers like this," said Bertie. "Why don't you get some rest and search some more in the morning?"



The sun had begun to set and the day was nearly over. Exhausted, Kia settled down on a branch to rest.



The sun disappeared and the forest became dark. Otis woke up, ready for another night of searching for the mysterious bird.



He stepped out of his nest and was met by the most unusual sight!



Right in front of his beak, sitting on his very own branch, was a bird with shiny blue feathers! “It’s you!” Otis hooted.



“What? Who?” shrieked Kia. She stared at the bird that had interrupted her sleep. It was a bird with stripy white feathers. “Oh! It’s you!”

“I’ve been looking everywhere for you!”
the two birds said at the same time.



"What are you doing out at night?" asked Kia.

"Well, this is when I am awake," said Otis, confused.

"Awake at night?" said Kia. "But then what do you do during the day?"

"Well, I sleep, of course!" said Otis.



Suddenly, the mystery was solved. This was why they had never met before! Otis had always thought that everyone slept during the day, while Kia had not realised that some animals only come out at night!

"Come on," said Otis. "Let me show you my world."





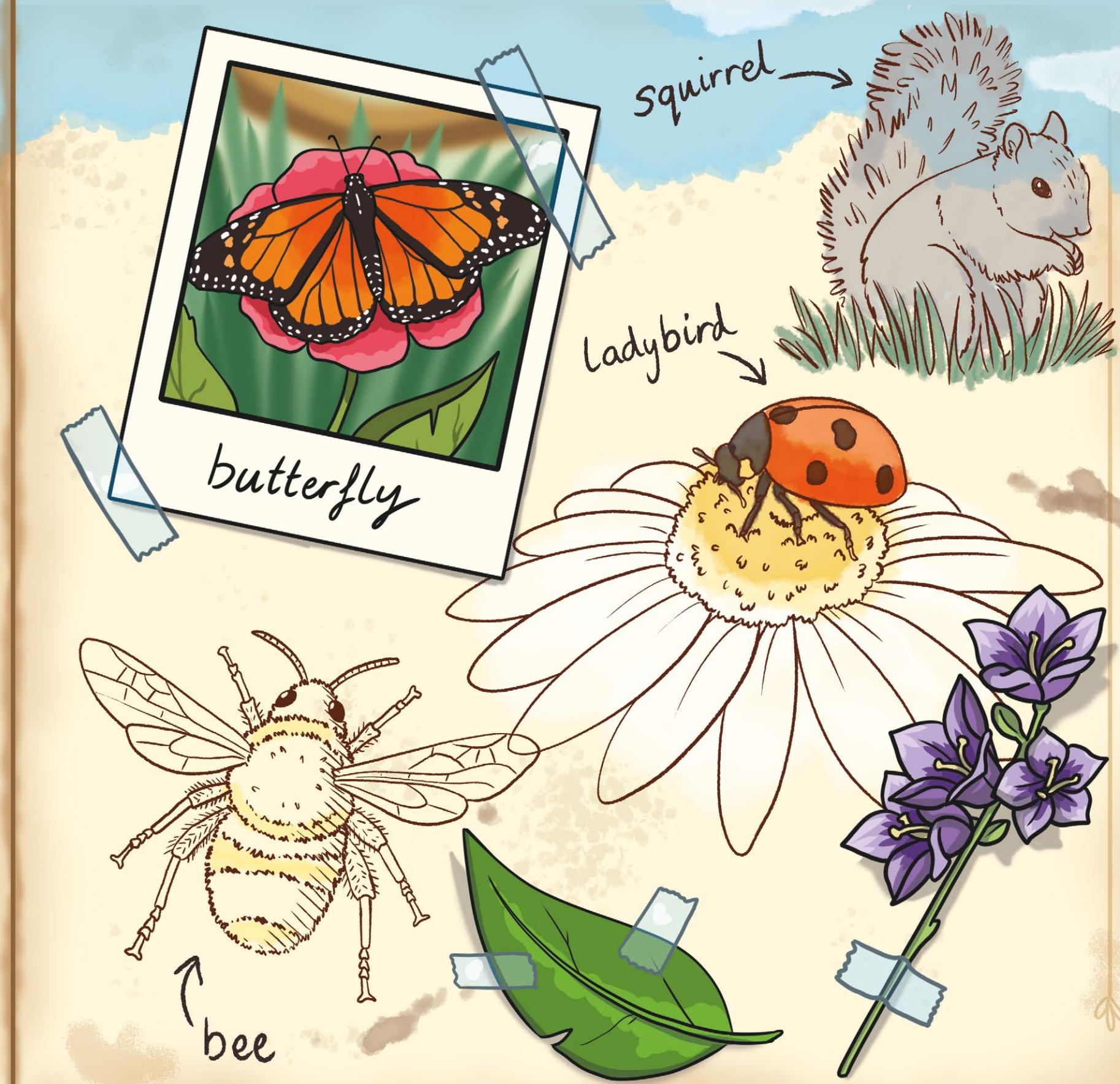
The two new friends flew through the forest, feeling very glad to have finally found each other.

"Wow," gasped Kia. "Everything looks so different at night-time."

"I can't wait to see what it looks like in the daylight," said Otis.

"Let's meet again tomorrow," suggested Kia,
"and I can show you my world."

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Questions

1. What time of day is it when Ois finds the blue feather? Tick one.

night time
 morning
 evening

2. What word is used to describe the white feather Kik Kingfisher finds?

shiny
 sparkly
 fluffy

3. Where is Kik Kingfisher when she finds the white feather?

in a tree
 on a branch
 on a rock

4. Draw a line to match up the boxes to complete the sentence.

'I've never seen ...' a sort of feather before.
 a bird's wing.
 a feather falling.
 a feather floating.

5. Complete this sentence: 'I've been looking everywhere for ...'

feathers water grass

b glow w moth

mo barn nocturnal

Awake during the Day

Nocturnal and Diurnal Animals

Amazing Adaptations

Eyesight

Play button

hedgehog blue tit

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Simple Bird Feeder

Instructions

Using the butter knife, carefully spread a thick layer of peanut butter all over the cardboard tube.

Roll the peanut butter-covered cardboard tube in the birdseed. Press down carefully to make sure the birdseed has stuck to the peanut butter.

Hang the bird feeder from a branch or tree.

Wait for the birds to arrive.

Sit back and count how many different birds you can spot!

Simple Bird Feeder

You will need:

- Empty cardboard tube
- Peanut butter
- Butter knife
- Wild birdseed
- Tray
- String (optional)

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Staying Alive

Carnivores, Herbivores and Omnivores

What Do Animals Eat?

Herbivores

Some animals eat only plants. These are called herbivores.

Herbivores

Carnivores

Omnivores

Play button

rabbit caterpillar bee

cow bear

fish

Herbivores

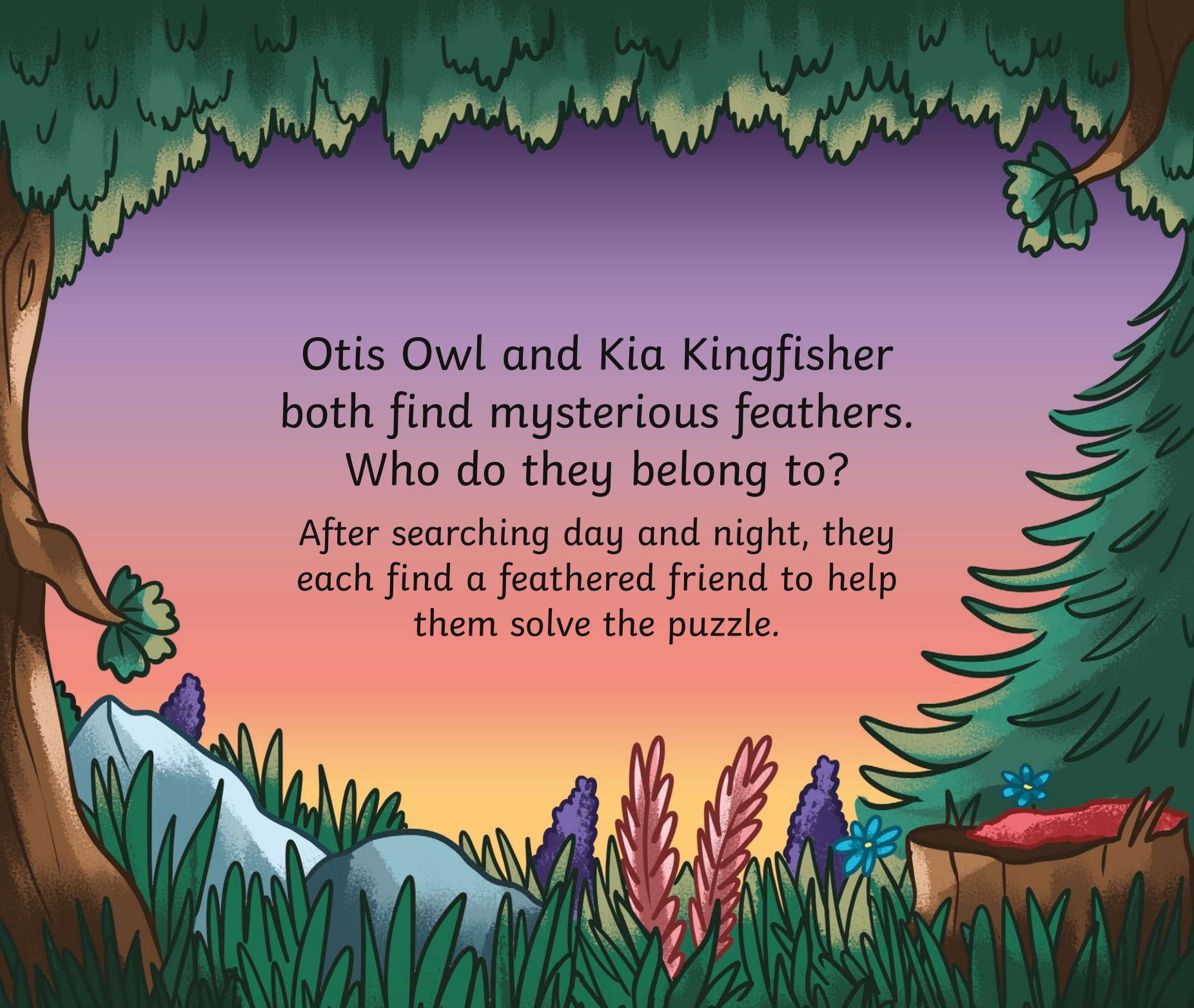
Eat plants

rabbit	caterpillar	bee
eats:	eats:	eats:
dandelion	lettuce	nectar

cow	bear	fish
eats:	eats:	eats:
milk	meat	water

bee	ladybird	insect
eats:	eats:	eats:
pollen	pests	leaves





Otis Owl and Kia Kingfisher
both find mysterious feathers.
Who do they belong to?

After searching day and night, they
each find a feathered friend to help
them solve the puzzle.

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