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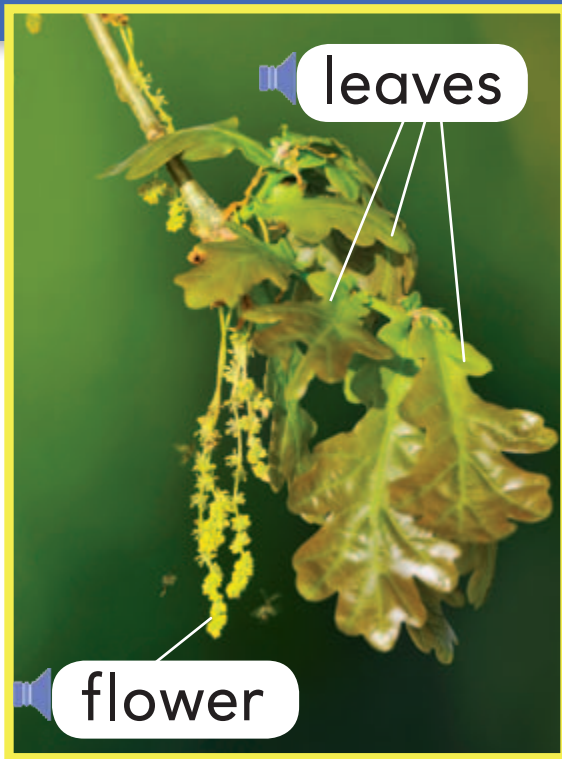
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Look at the garden.

Many **kinds** of plants can grow in the garden.

An oak tree is one of them.



- ▶ An oak tree can grow flowers in the spring.
- ▶ Green and pink leaves can start to grow on the oak tree.



Some of the flowers can become acorns.

An acorn is the fruit of the oak tree.

An acorn is also a nut.

It has a hard shell.

squirrel



- ▶ When acorns are ripe, they fall to the ground.
- ▶ Look at the squirrel eating an acorn!



- ▶ Squirrels can hide acorns, too.
- ▶ This squirrel can hide the acorn under the ground.



Then the soil can cover the acorn.

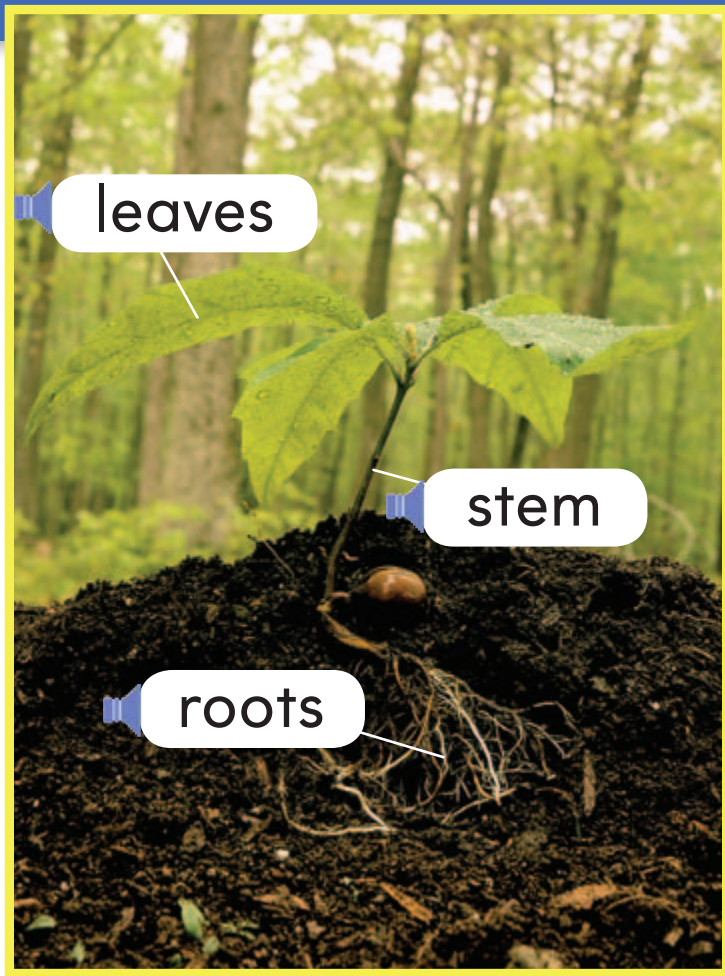
The seed inside the acorn can start to grow.

A root can grow down into the earth.





🔊 Then a stem can grow up.  
It can grow above the  
top of the soil.



Now the little plant has roots, a stem, and leaves. It can keep getting bigger.



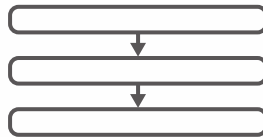
- ▶ The little plant will be a big oak tree one day. Then it can grow acorns.
- ▶ The acorns can fall to the ground and a new oak tree can begin to grow.



# Responding

## **TARGET SKILL** Sequence of

**Events** A oak tree starts as a acorn. What happens next? How does the acorn turn into a tree? Make a chart.



## **Talk About It**

**Text to World** Have you ever seen a squirrel with an acorn? What did the squirrel do with the acorn?



## WORDS TO KNOW

almost

kinds

covers

ready

country

soil

earth

warms



## TARGET SKILL

### Sequence of

**Events** Tell the order in which things happen.



## TARGET STRATEGY

### Question

Ask questions about what you are reading.

**GENRE** Informational text gives facts about a topic.

**Level:** H

**DRA:** 14

**Genre:**

Informational Text

**Strategy:**

Question

**Skill:**

Sequence of Events

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