

Plant and Animal Partners



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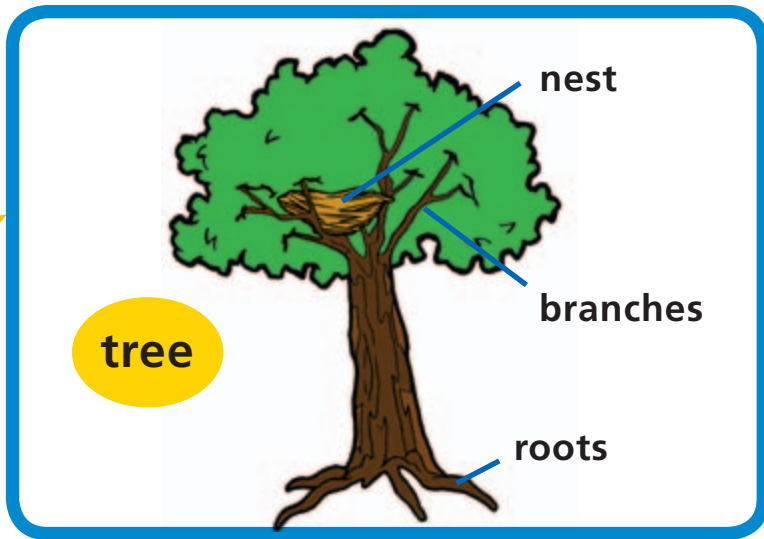
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Plants and animals are partners.
They help each other live.
Plants can be homes for animals.
Many animals live in trees.
Birds build nests in branches.
Chipmunks make homes in
tree roots.



Plants help keep animals safe.
A rabbit can hide in tall grass.
A bug can hide on a leaf.
A deer can hide near the trees
in a forest.



Plants can also keep animals dry.
Some birds sit under leaves
during a storm.

Then the rain will not **soak**
their feathers.

Butterflies hide under leaves
when it rains.

They do not want to get rain
on their wings.



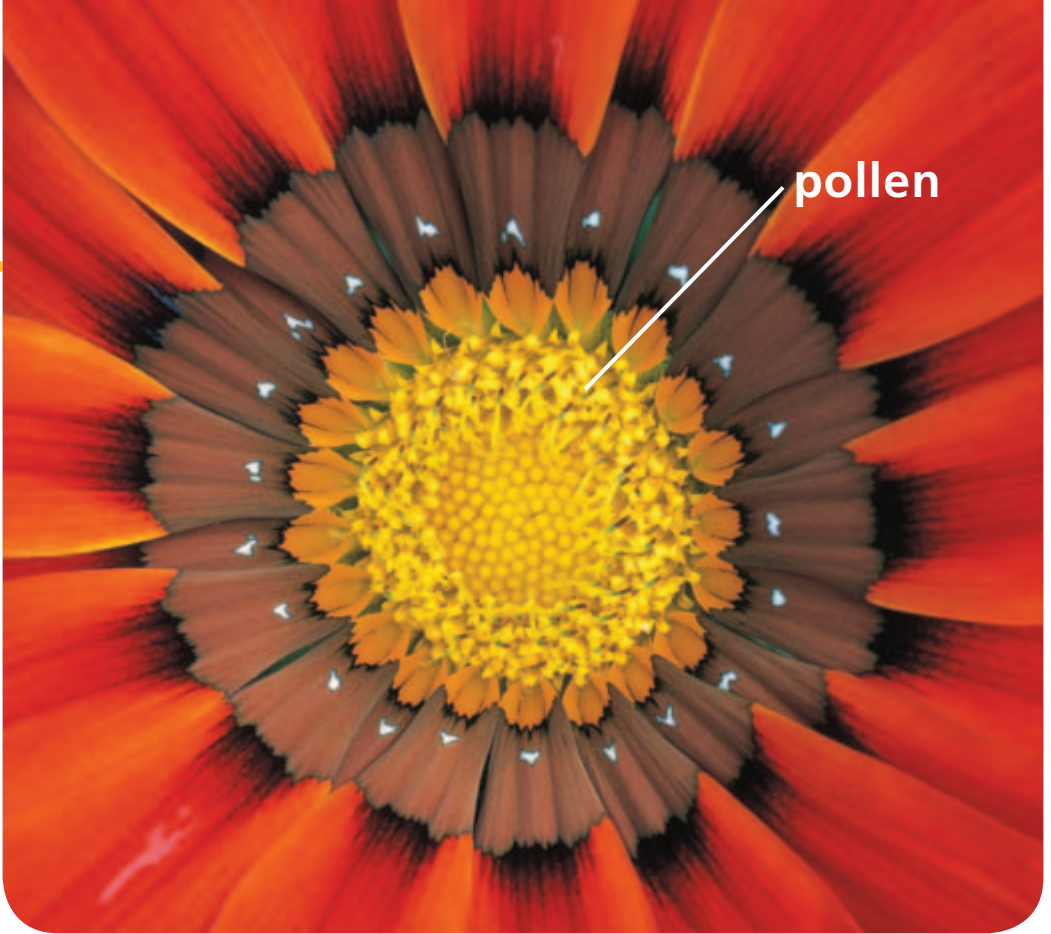
Plants also make food for animals.
Some animals, such as sheep,
eat only plants.
Plants give these animals all the
food they need.



Bees take a sweet drink from flowers.

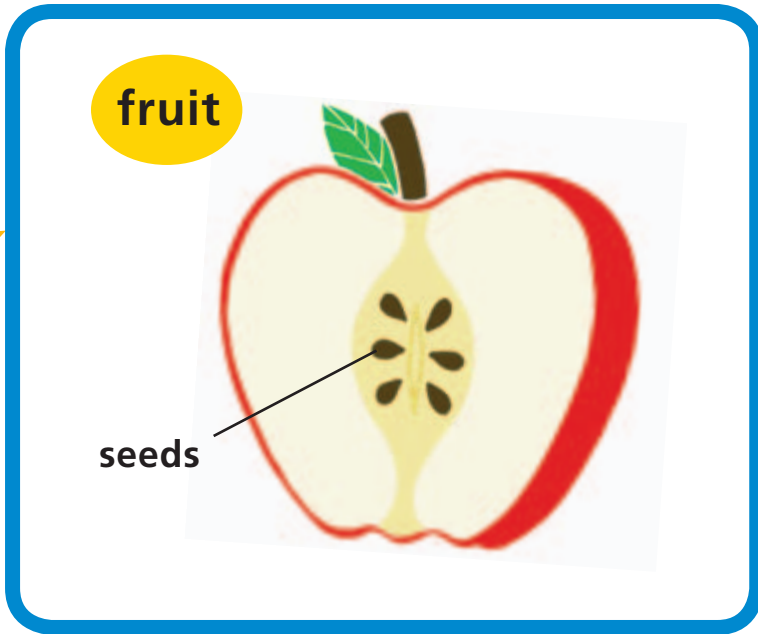
They fly to their hive with the drink.

Then they use the sweet drink to make honey.



When bees take the sweet drink, they also take **grains** of pollen. They spread the pollen to other flowers.

Pollen helps the flowers make seeds.



Some plants need animals to spread their seeds.

Then new plants can grow.

Some seeds are inside **tasty** fruit.

The animals eat the fruit.

Then they drop the seeds on the ground.



acorn

Squirrels dig holes for acorns.
They plan to come back
and eat them later.
Sometimes they forget!
Then the acorns grow into trees.



Animals can't live without plants.
Plants can't live without animals.
Plants and animals make
a great team!

Responding



TARGET SKILL **Text and Graphic**

Features What do the photos in this book show you about plants and animals? Copy and complete the chart.

Photo	Page	What it Shows
bird	4	leaf for umbrella



Write About It

Text to World What else would you like to know about plant and animal partners? Use an encyclopedia or other source to research more about it. Then write a few sentences about the facts you learn.



TARGET VOCABULARY

grain

nutrition

pod

root

shoot

soak

soften

tasty



TARGET SKILL

Text and Graphic

Features Tell how words go with photos.



TARGET STRATEGY

Monitor/Clarify Find ways to figure out what doesn't make sense.

GENRE Informational text gives facts about a topic.