

# Alex and Rosie's Surrey Colouring Book



and stories for children with autism

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Illustrations by Tharada Blakesley



# Introduction

We hope that children will enjoy using this 'Alex and Rosie' colouring book with their parents, carers or teachers, and that it will encourage their interest in the Surrey countryside and its wildlife. Children will also discover some of the things they might do in the countryside, such as collecting autumn leaves, walking through a wood or watching birds.

This colouring book complements our guide '*Visiting the Surrey countryside: a guide for parents and teachers of children with autism*', and our children's story book '*Alex and Rosie's Adventures in Surrey*'. In addition to the natural places originally featured in our countryside guide, we have included a new location in the colouring book; Mane Chance Sanctuary provides relief for children and young people with physical and/or mental disability ([www.manechancesanctuary.org/](http://www.manechancesanctuary.org/)). We hope that our colouring book will appeal to younger children with autism and related disabilities, and children with speech and language difficulties, and encourage their interest in the countryside and nature. For more information visit the Autism and Nature website ([www.autismandnature.org.uk](http://www.autismandnature.org.uk)). Autism and Nature is a non-profit organisation dedicated to enriching the lives of children on the autism spectrum, by helping to engage them with the countryside and nature.

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Alex

and



Rosie



love

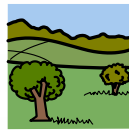
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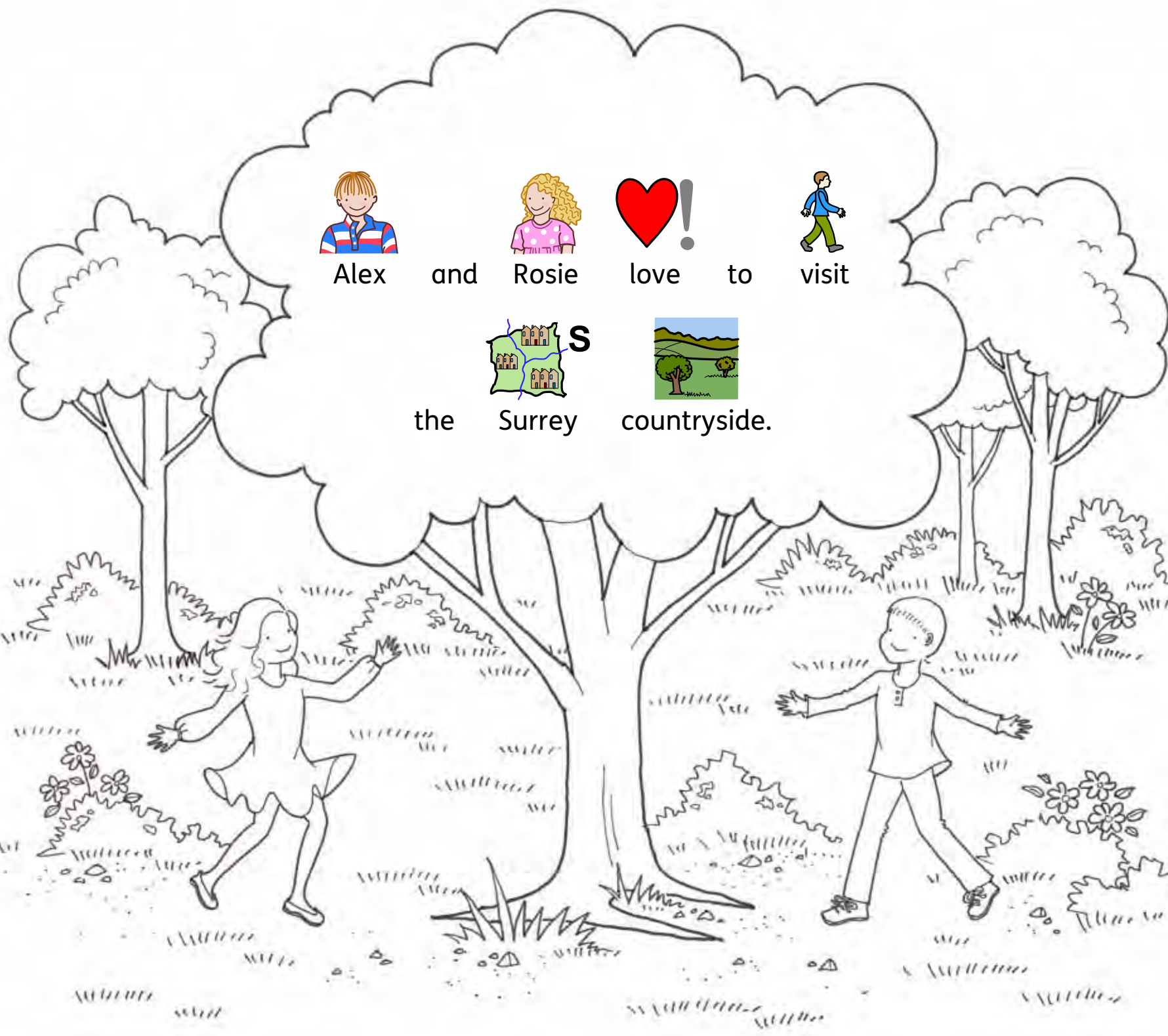
visit



the Surrey



countryside.



# Chobham Common

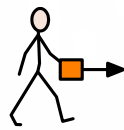


Alex



and

Rosie



took

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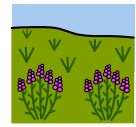


drawing



books

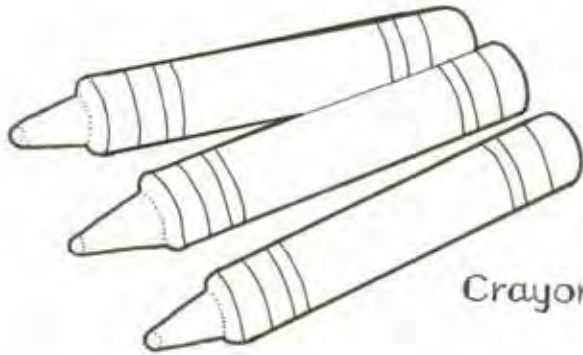
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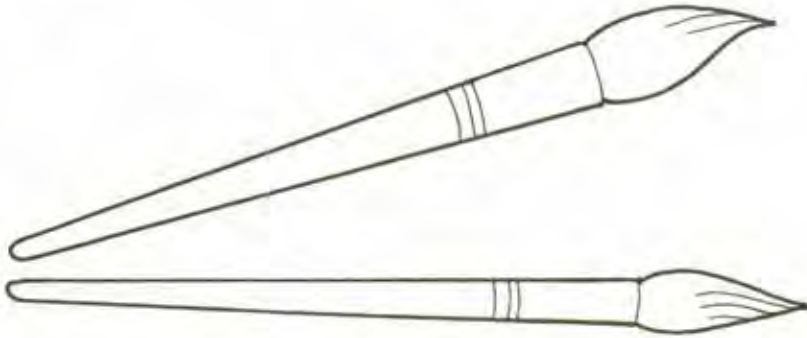
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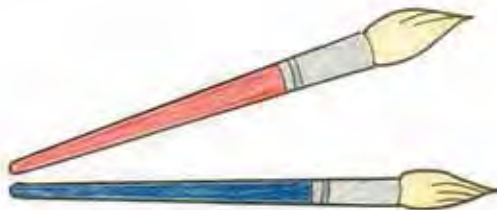
Paint box



Crayons



Paint brushes



# Durfold Wood



Alex



and Rosie



enjoyed



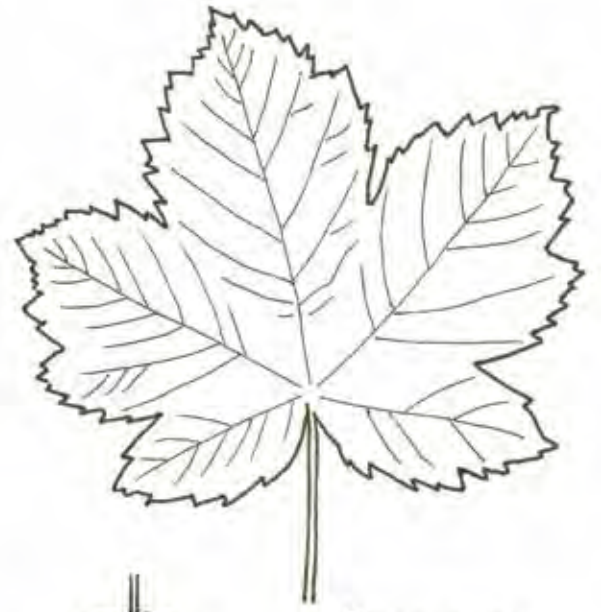
balancing



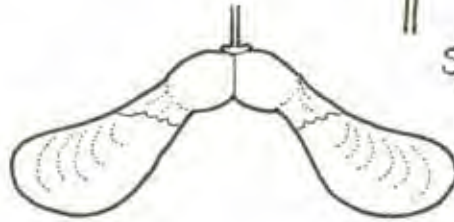
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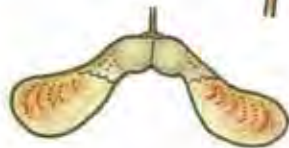
Oak



Sycamore

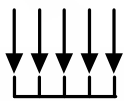
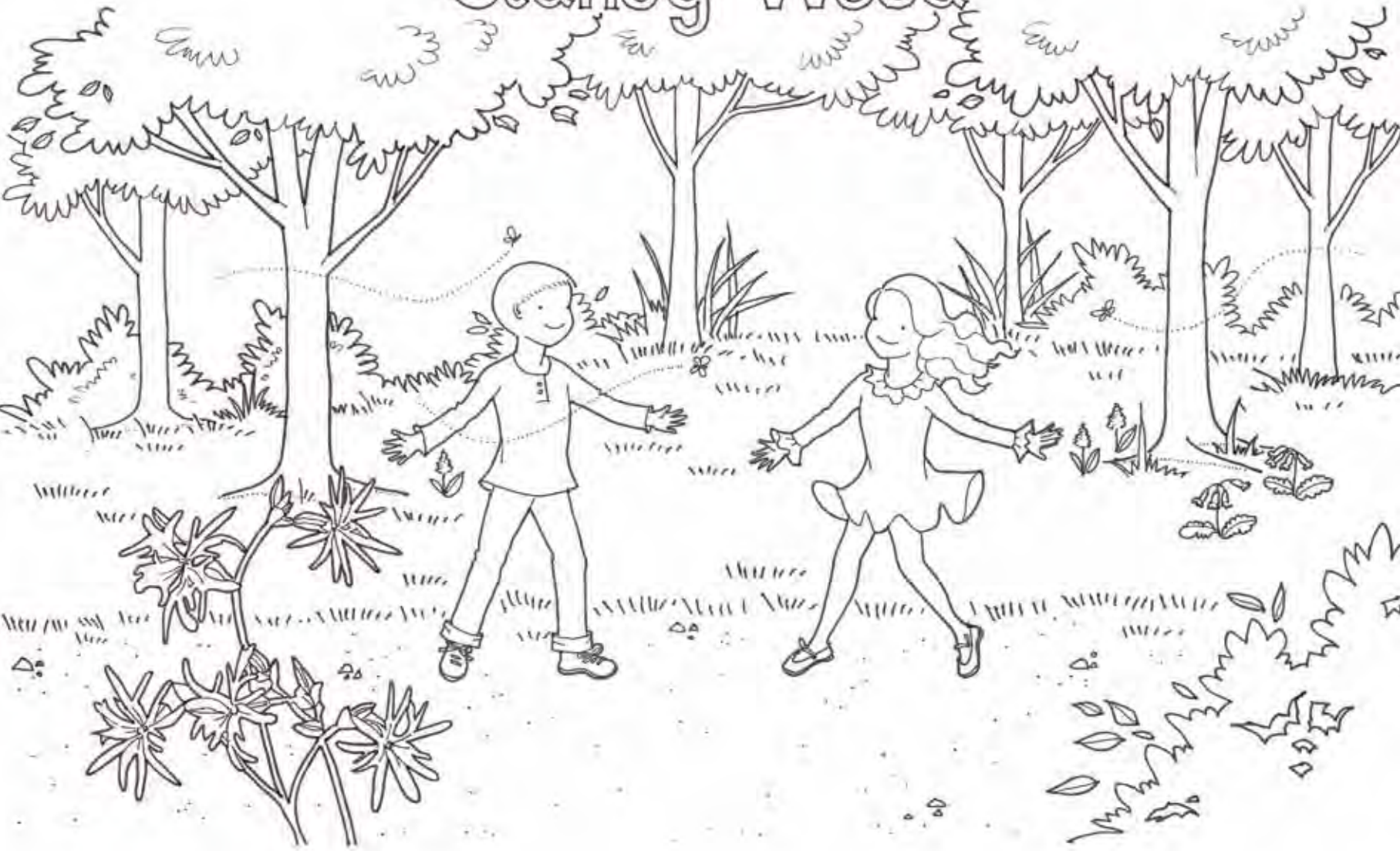


Rowan





# Sidney Wood



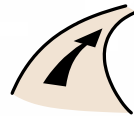
A lot



of wild flowers



grow



along

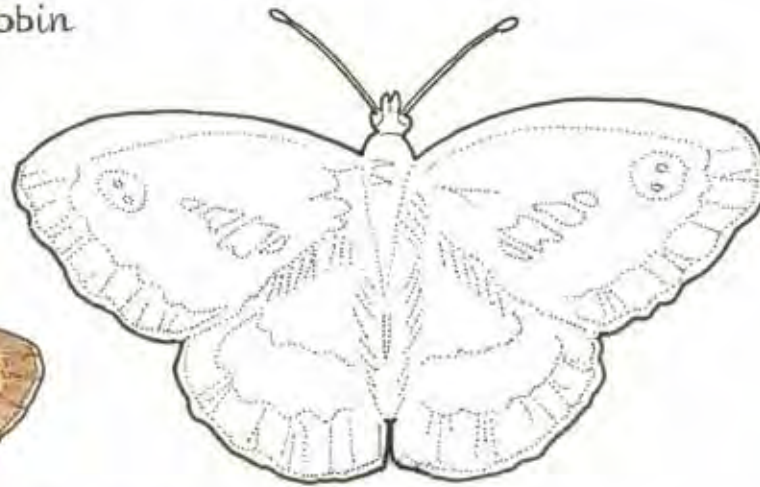


the woodland paths.



Small tortoiseshell

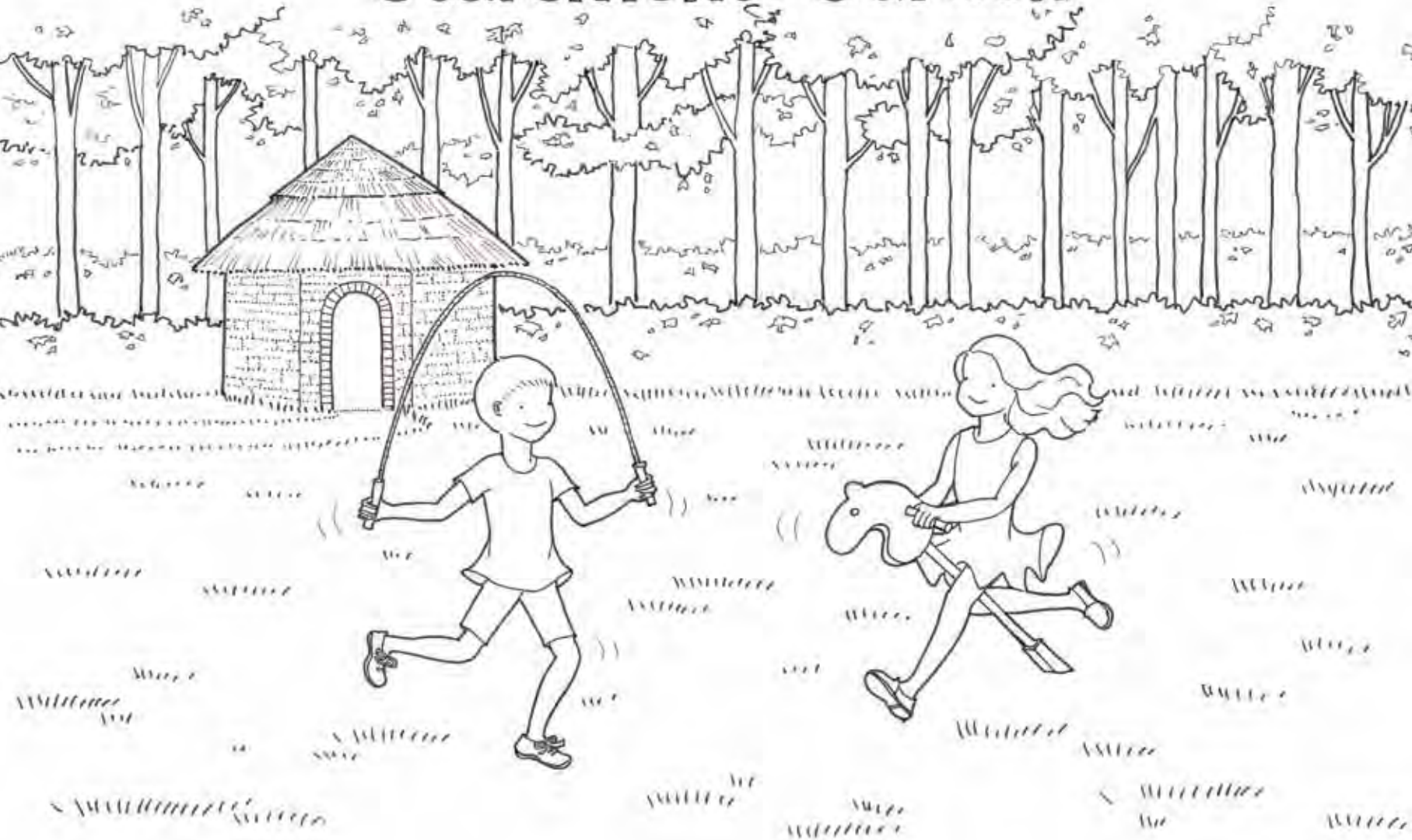
Ragged - Robin



Gatekeeper



# Claremont Garden



Alex



and

Rosie



were happy

to



visit

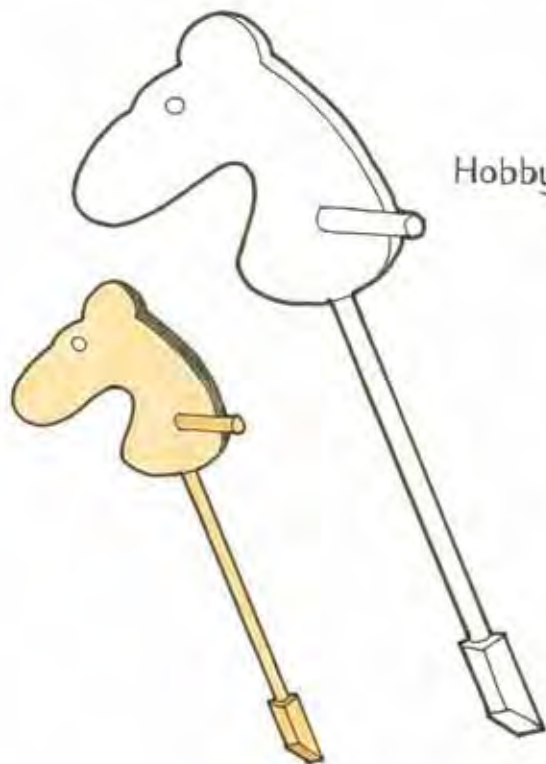
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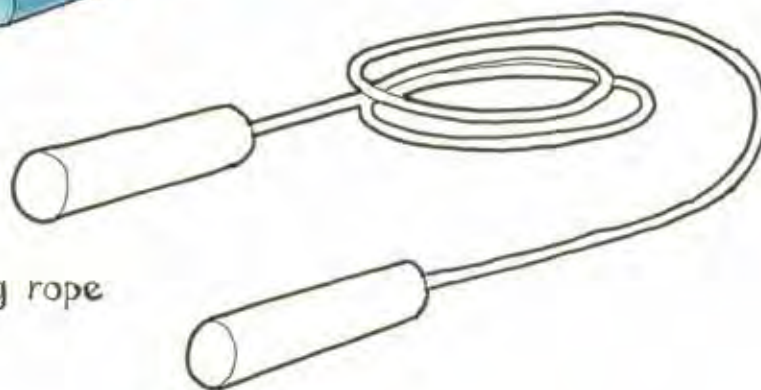
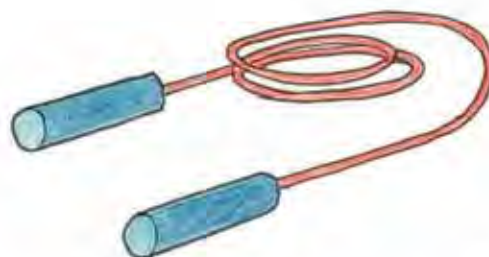
play



cottage.



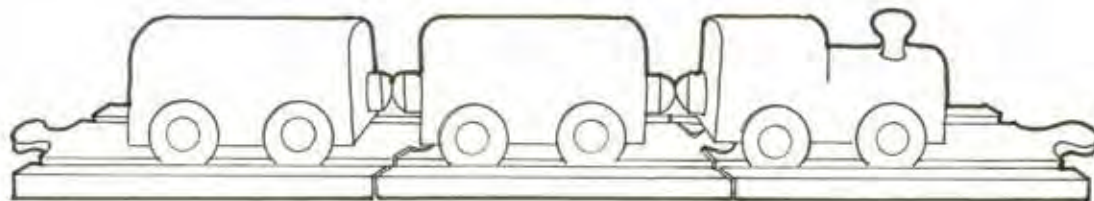
Hobby horse



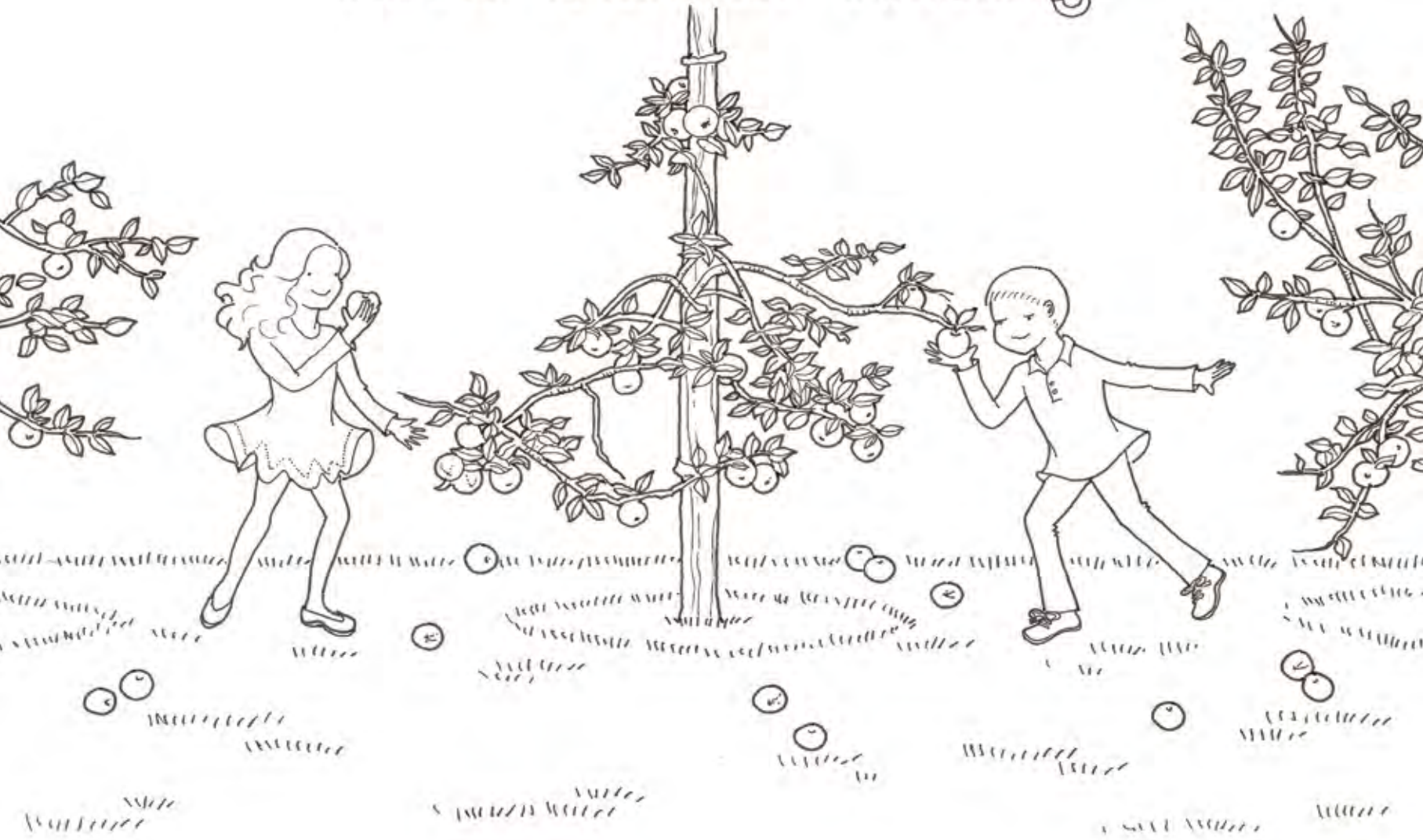
Skipping rope



Wooden train and track



# RHS Garden Wisley



Alex



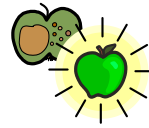
and Rosie



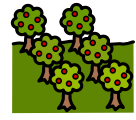
liked



the smell



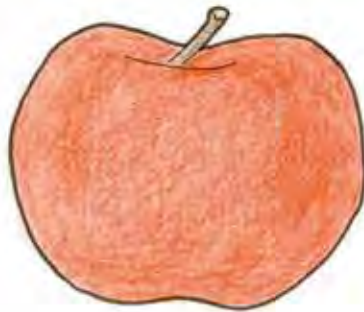
of ripe apples



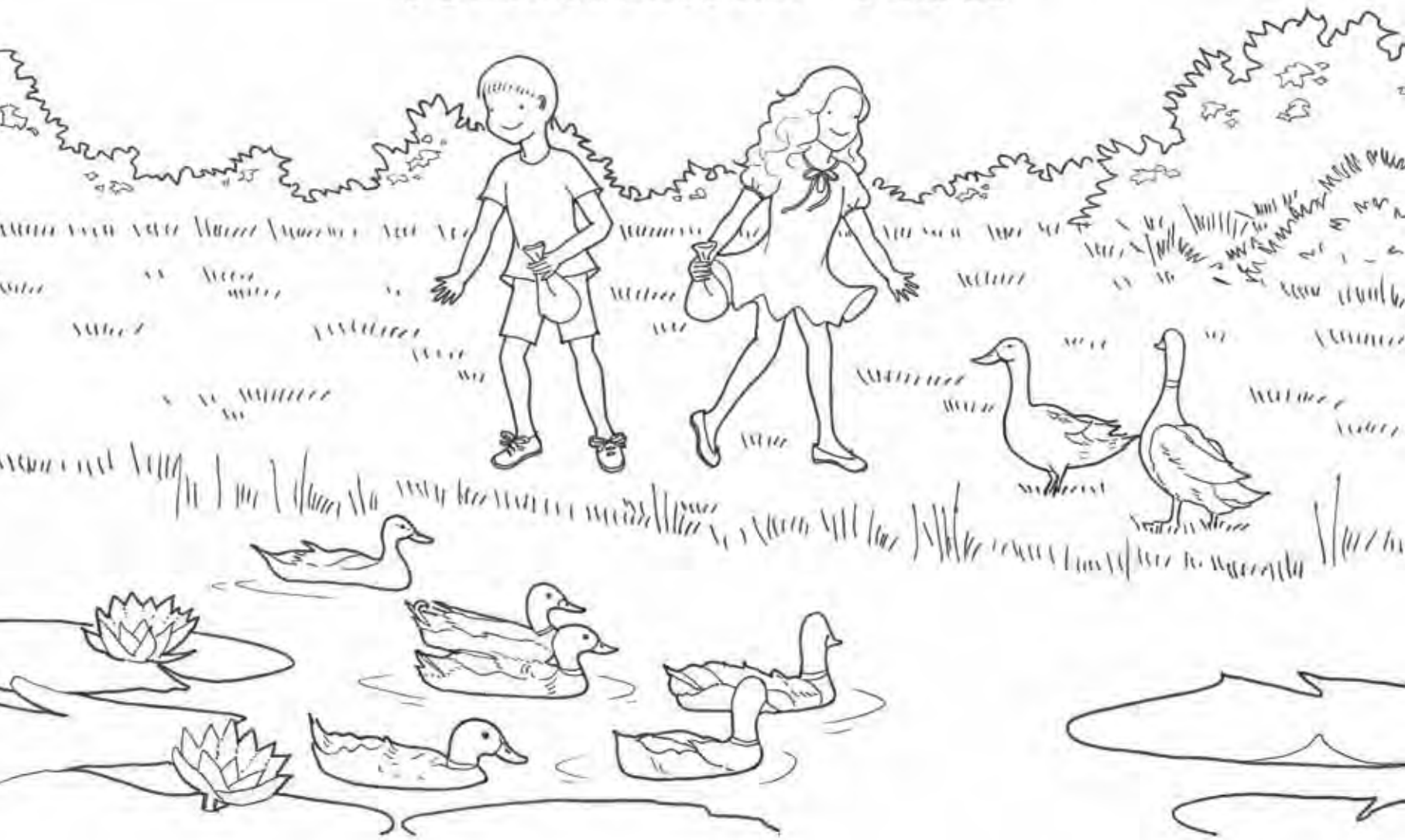
in the orchard.



Apples



# Hatchlands Park



Alex

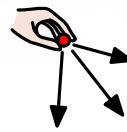


and

Rosie

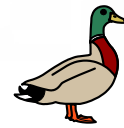


enjoyed

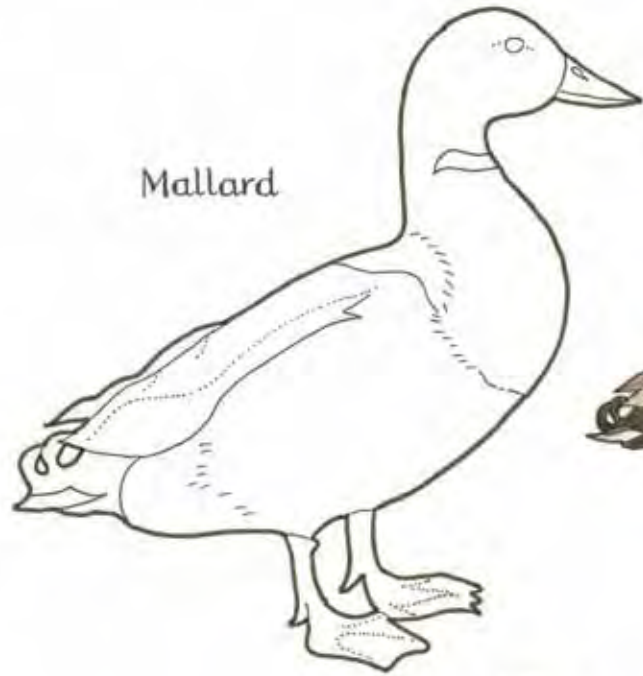


feeding grain

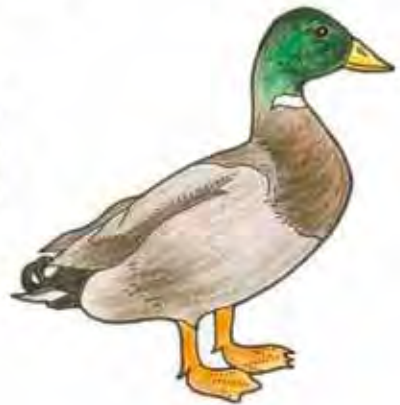
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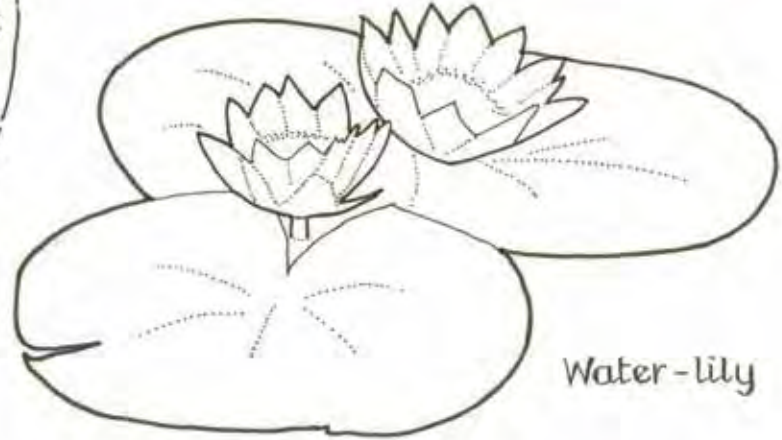
ducks.



Mallard



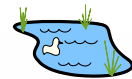
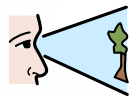
Mallard feather



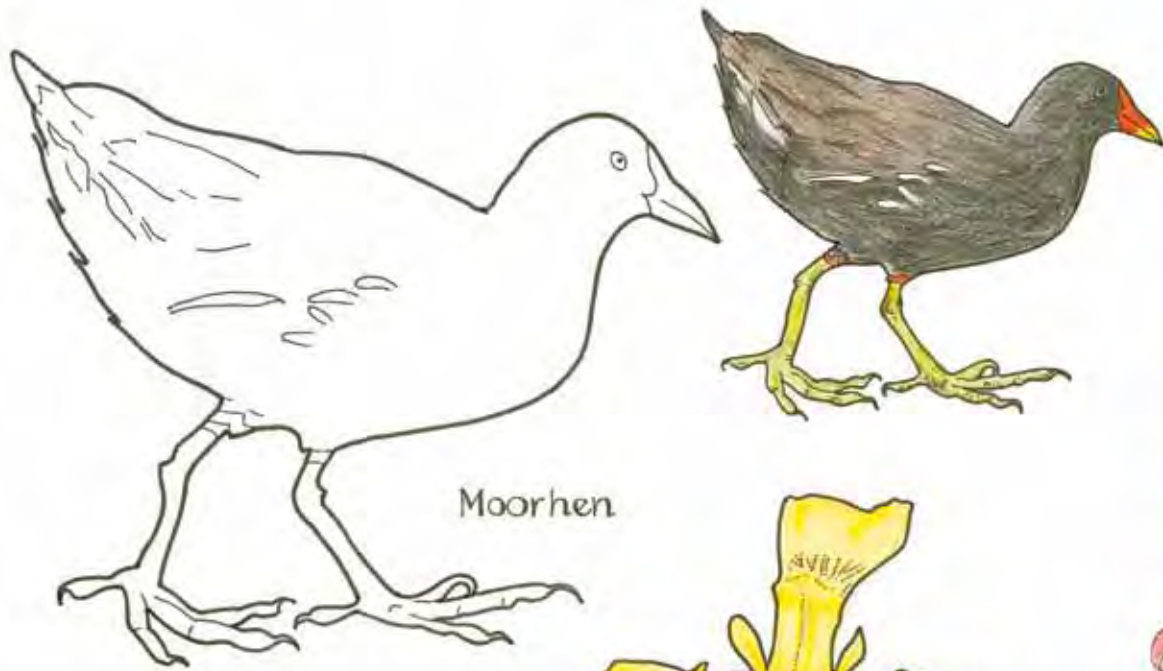
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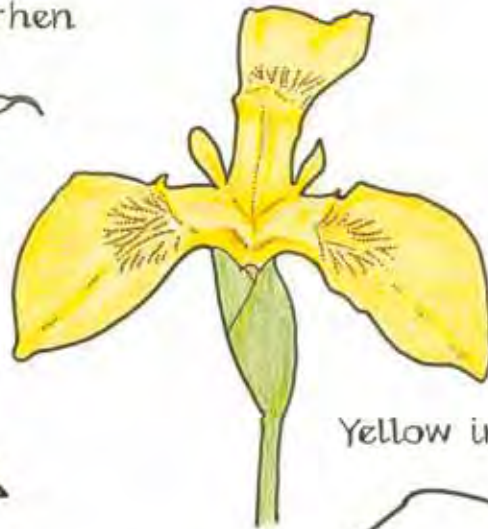
# Bookham Commons



It was peaceful, watching birds on the pond.



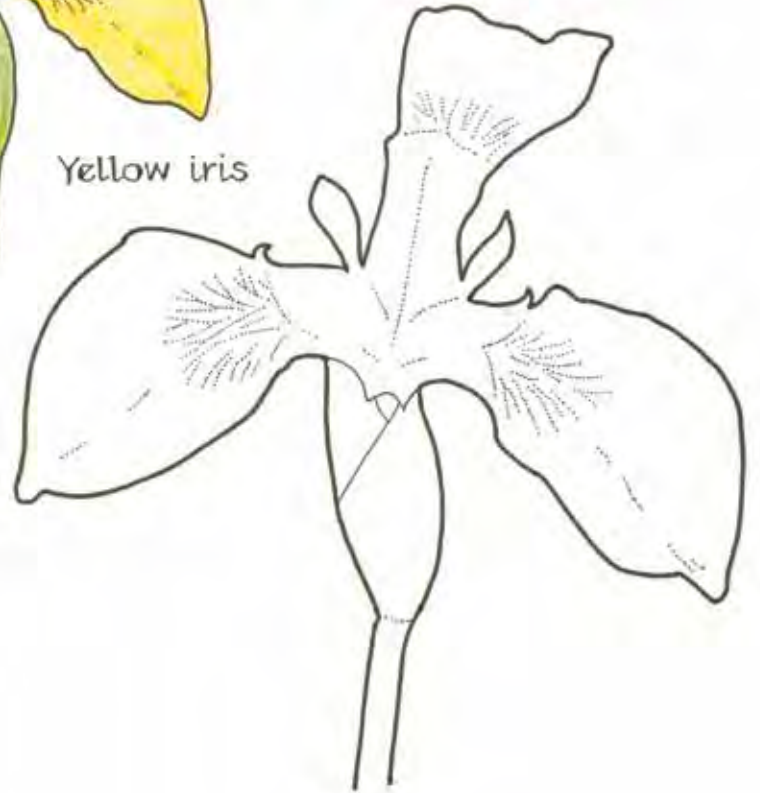
Moorhen



Yellow iris



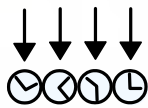
Little grebe



# Banstead Woods



Alex



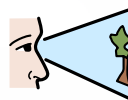
is always



very



happy



to see



bluebells



in spring.



Cuckoo flower



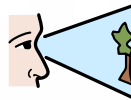
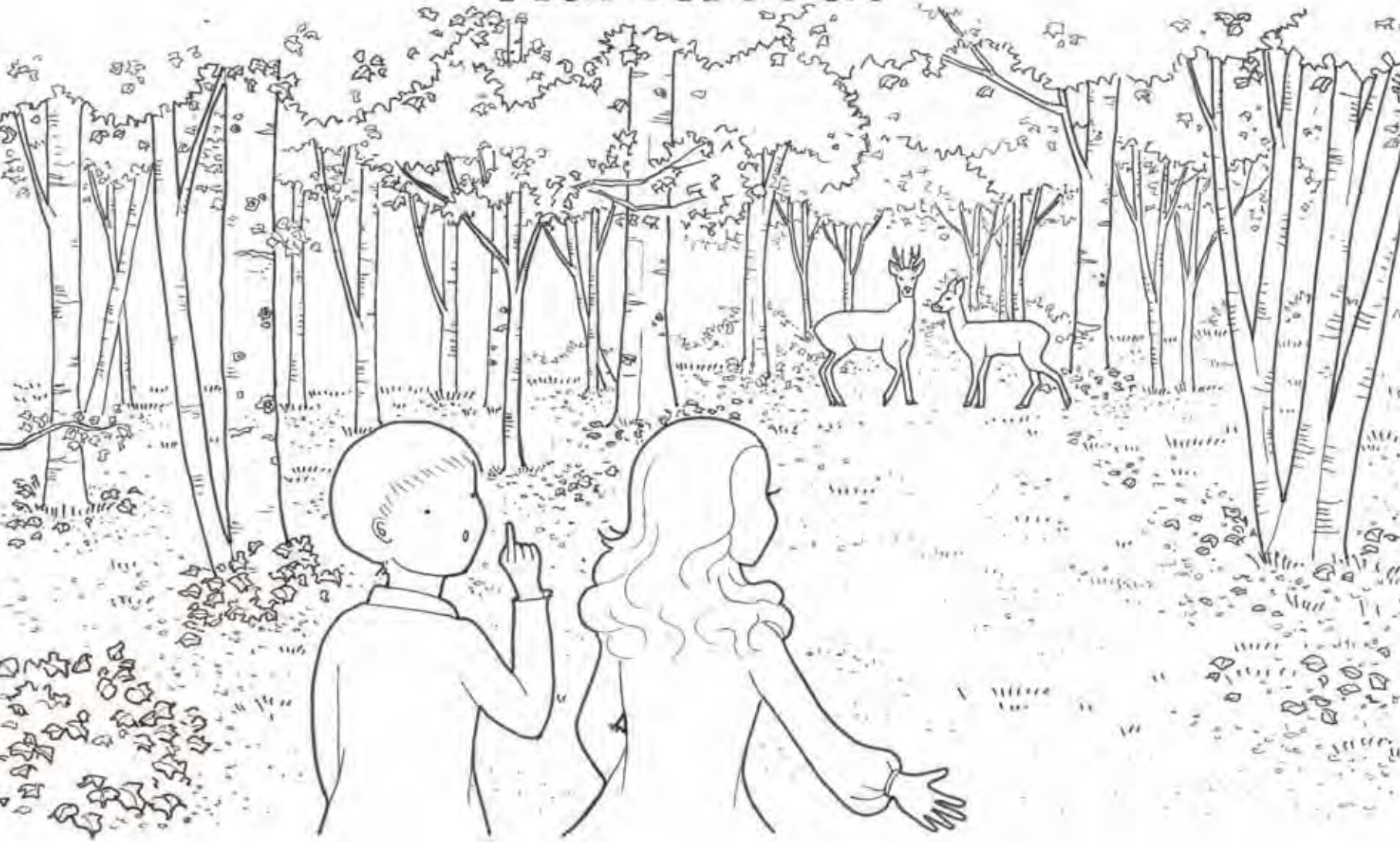
Red campion



Bluebell

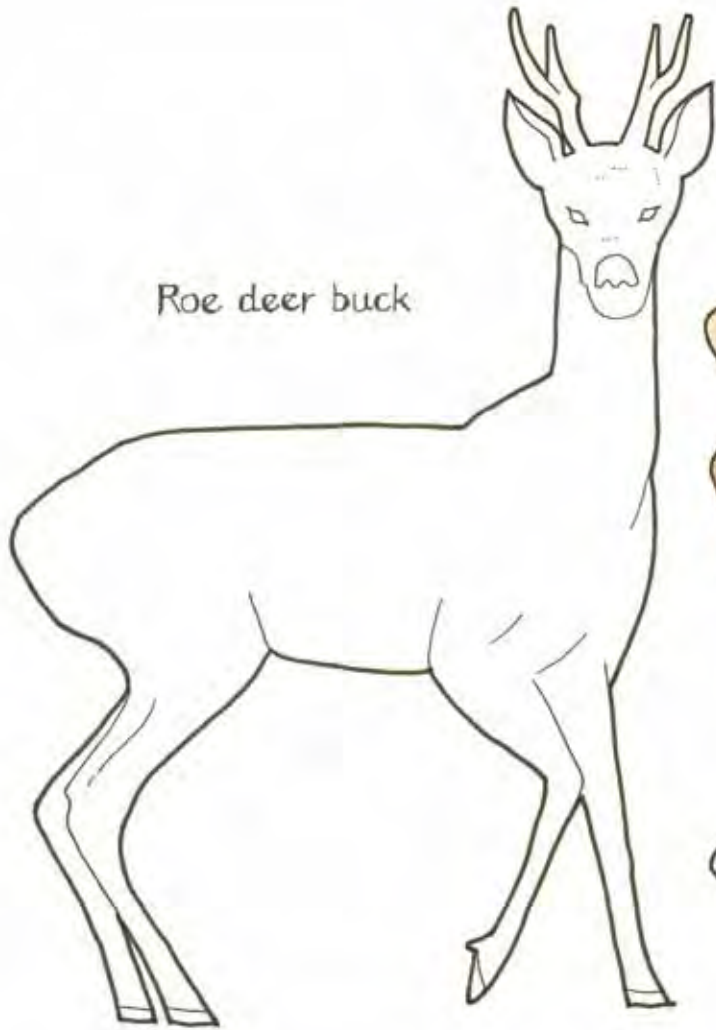


# Harewoods



Alex and Rosie were very lucky to see roe deer in the wood.

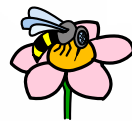
Roe deer buck



Roe deer doe



# Staffhurst Wood



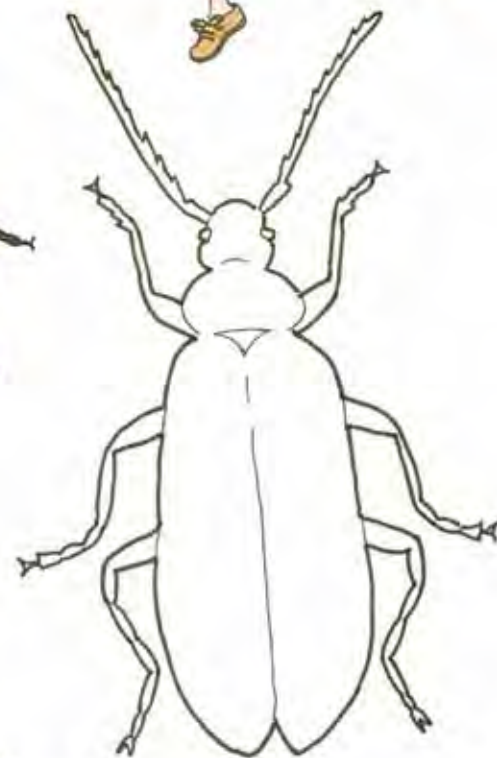
In summer, bumblebees collect pollen from the foxgloves.



Great spotted woodpecker



Honeysuckle

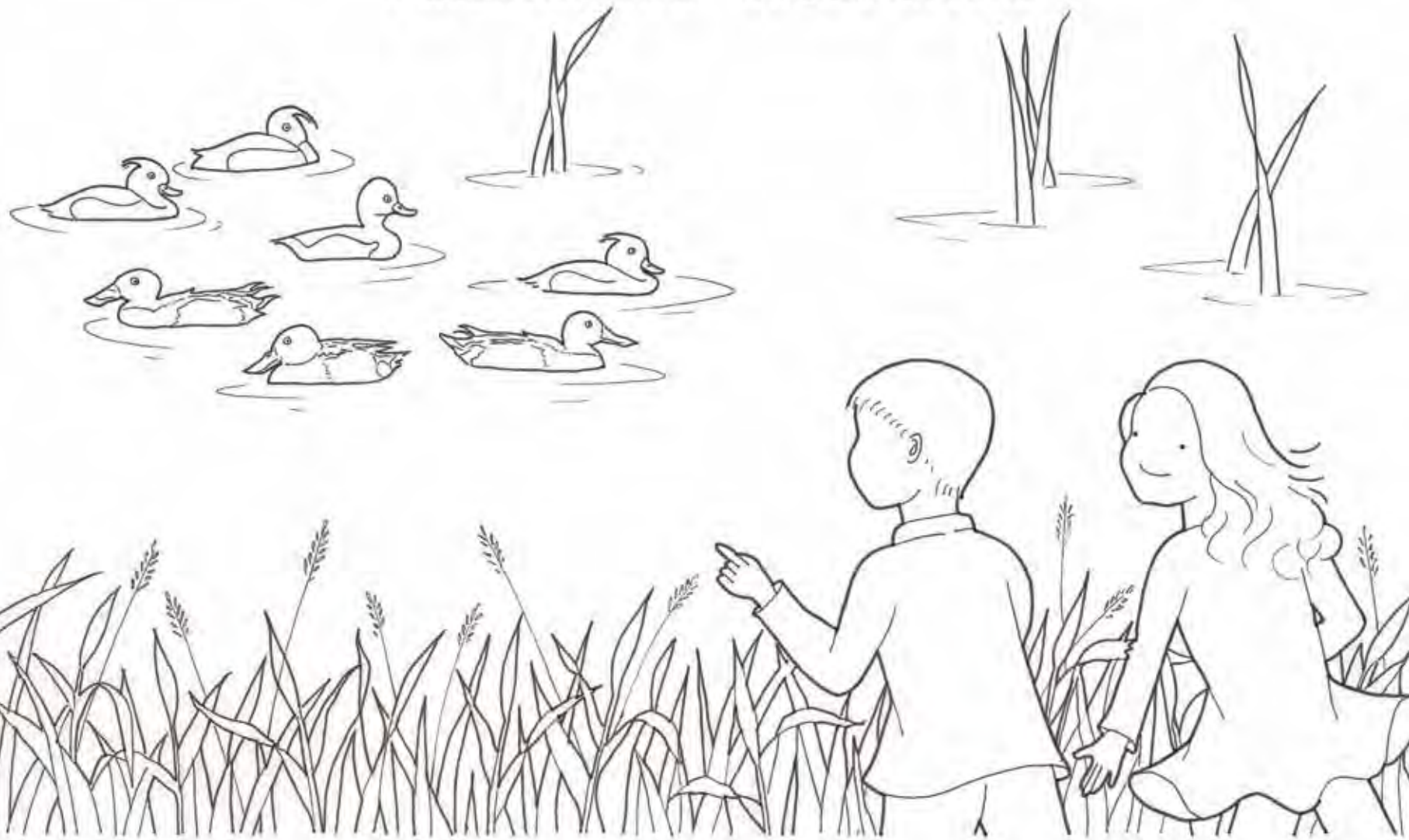


Red-headed cardinal beetle





# Nutfield Marshes

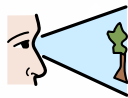


Alex

and



Rosie



saw



ducks

and



geese

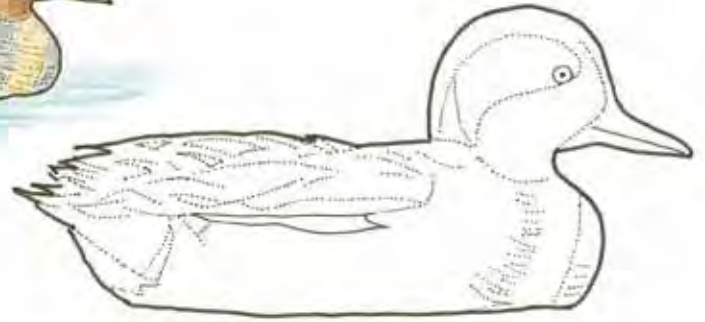
on the



lake.



Teal



Tufted duck



Shoveler





Alex

and



Rosie



like

to

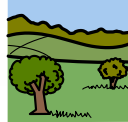


visit



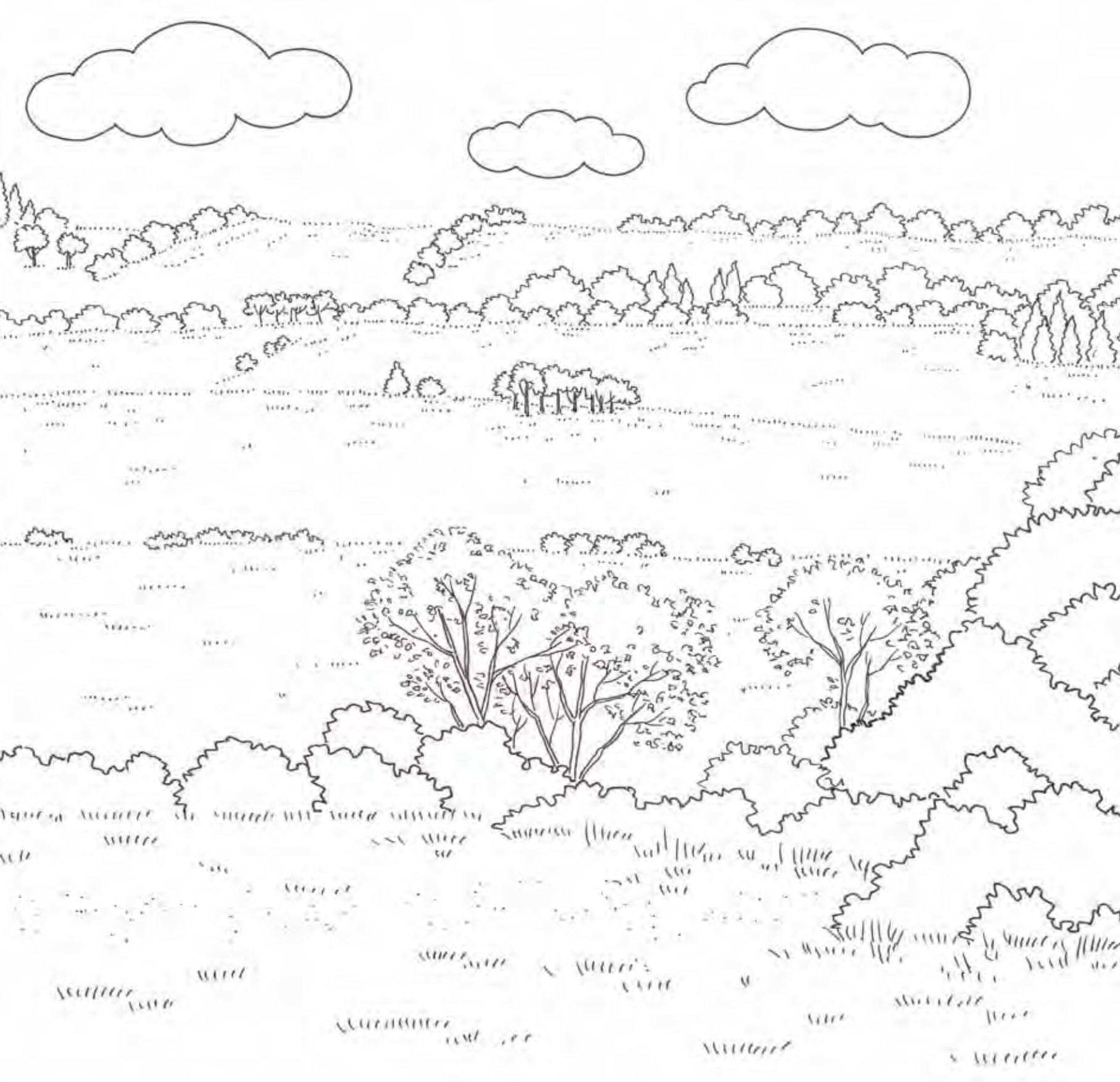
the

Surrey



Hills.





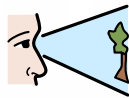
# Farnham Heath



Alex



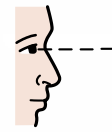
and Rosie



saw



a green woodpecker



looking

for



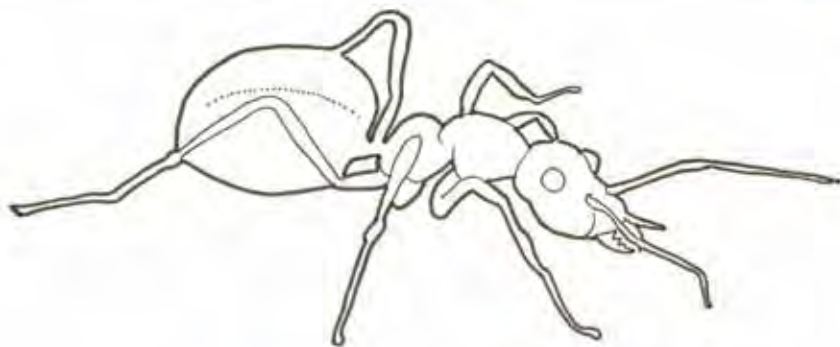
ants.



Green woodpecker



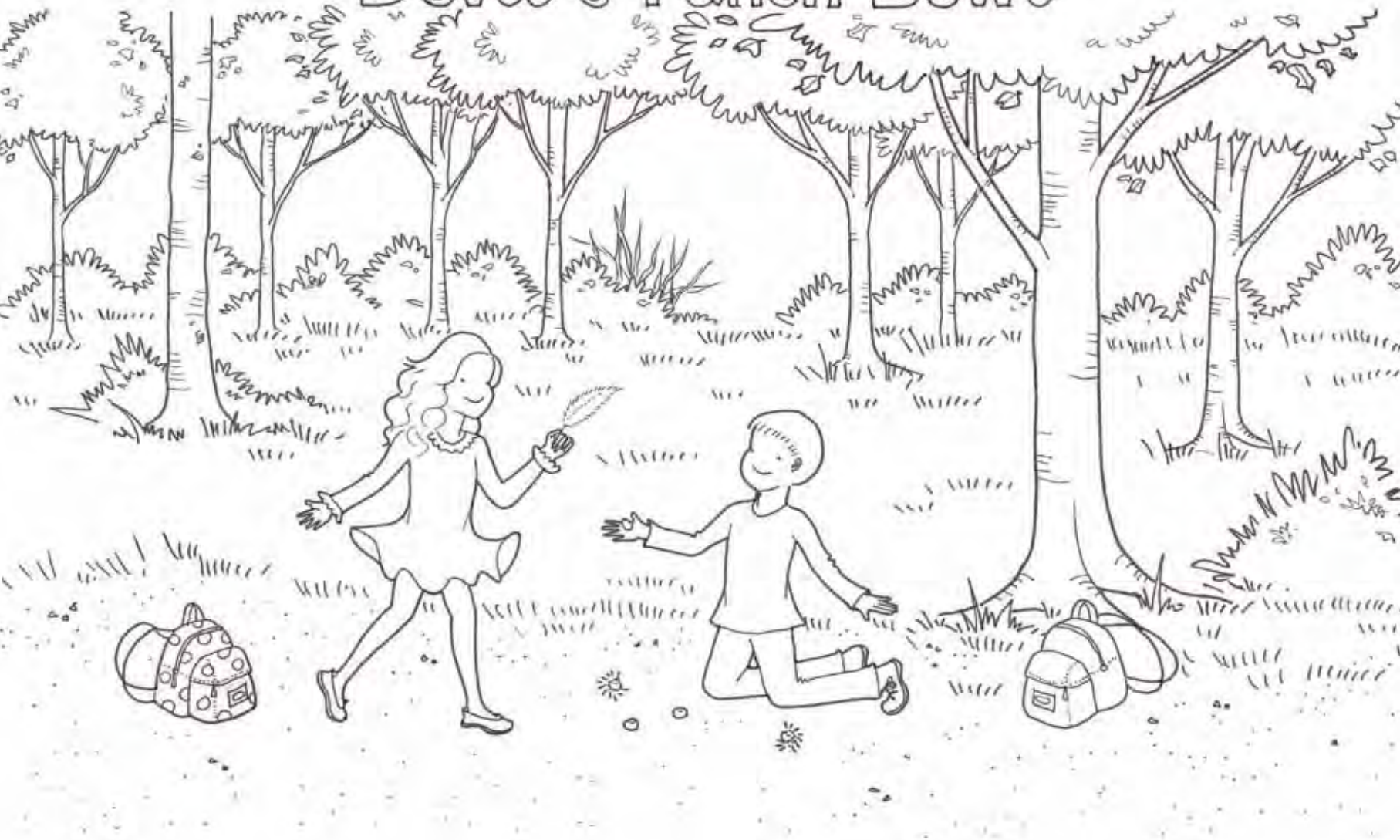
Bell heather



Southern wood ant



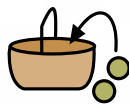
# Devil's Punch Bowl



Alex



and Rosie



collected



natural objects



for their nature

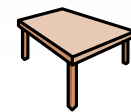
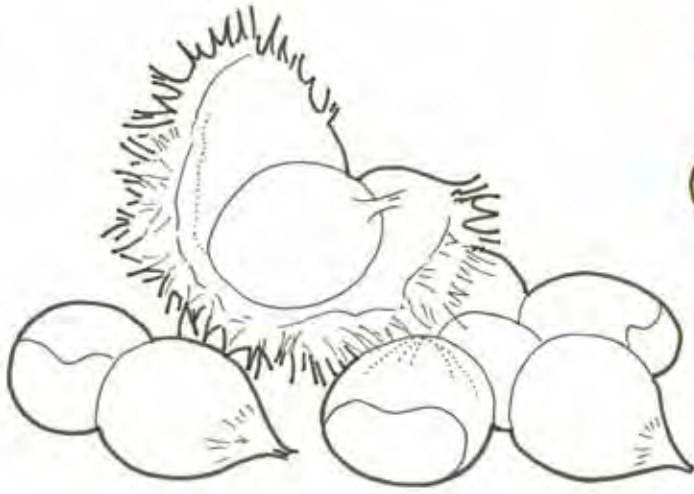


table.



Sweet chestnut



Holly



Jay feather





# Thursley Common

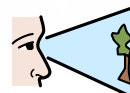


Alex

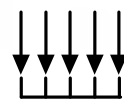
and



Rosie



saw



a lot

of



dragonflies!



Emperor dragonfly



Silver-studded blue



Harebell



# Winkworth Arboretum



Autumn



leaves



are great



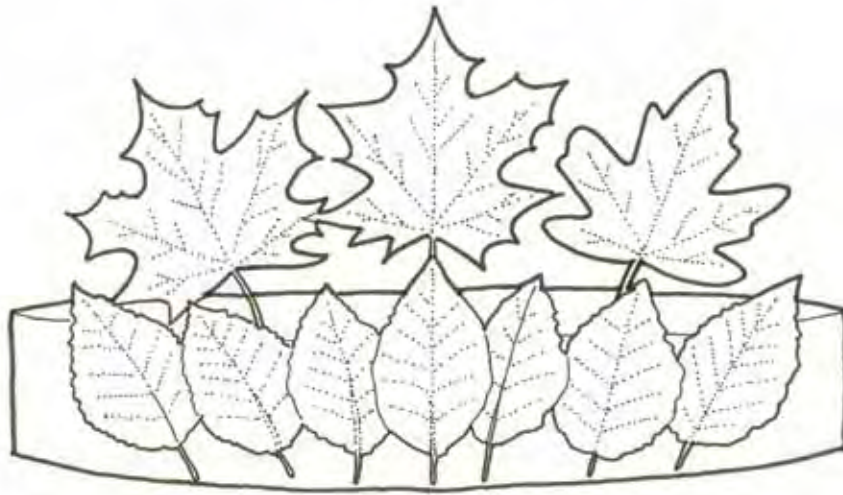
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natural



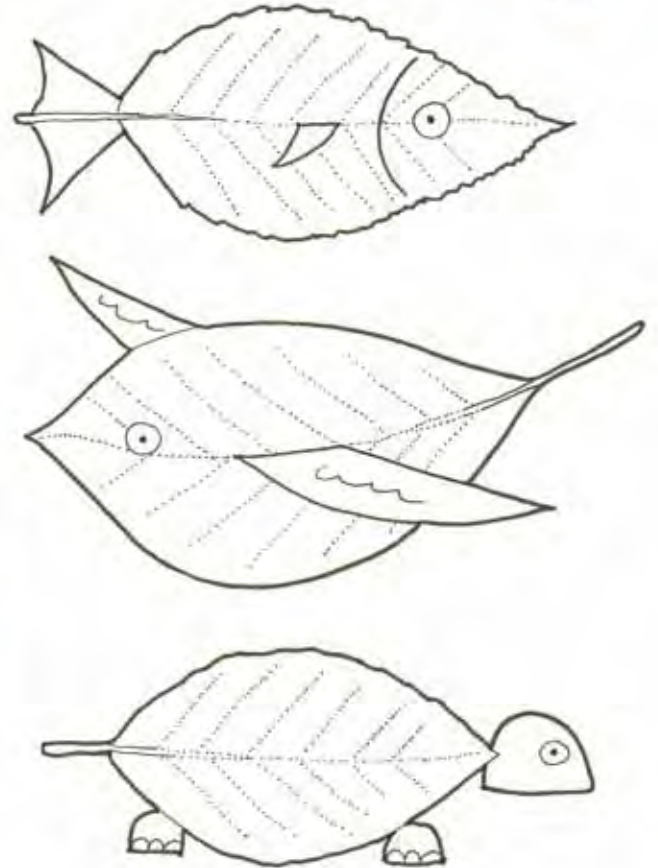
art.



Leaf crown



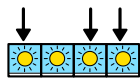
Leaf art



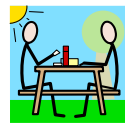
# Newlands Corner



Families

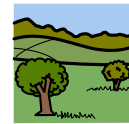


often



have

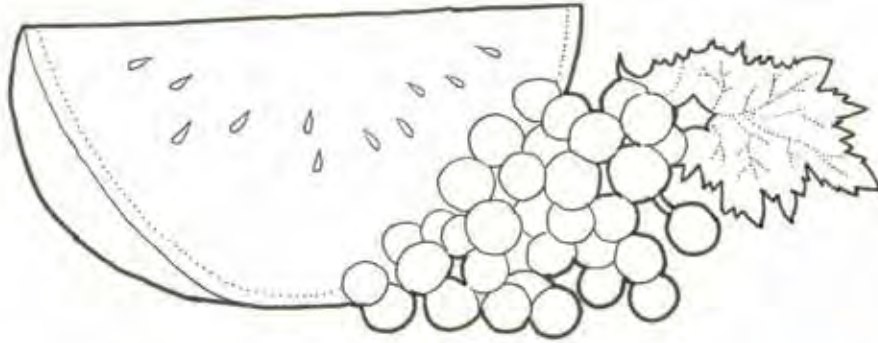
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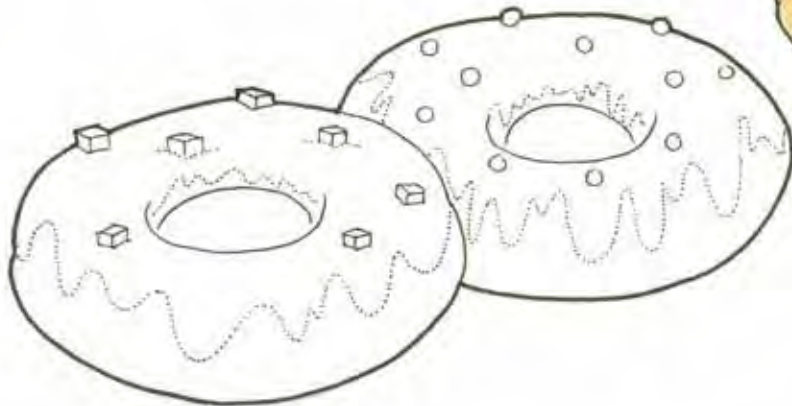
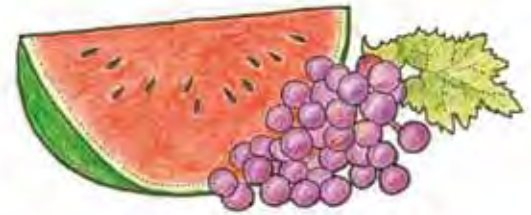
at Newlands Corner.



Cupcakes



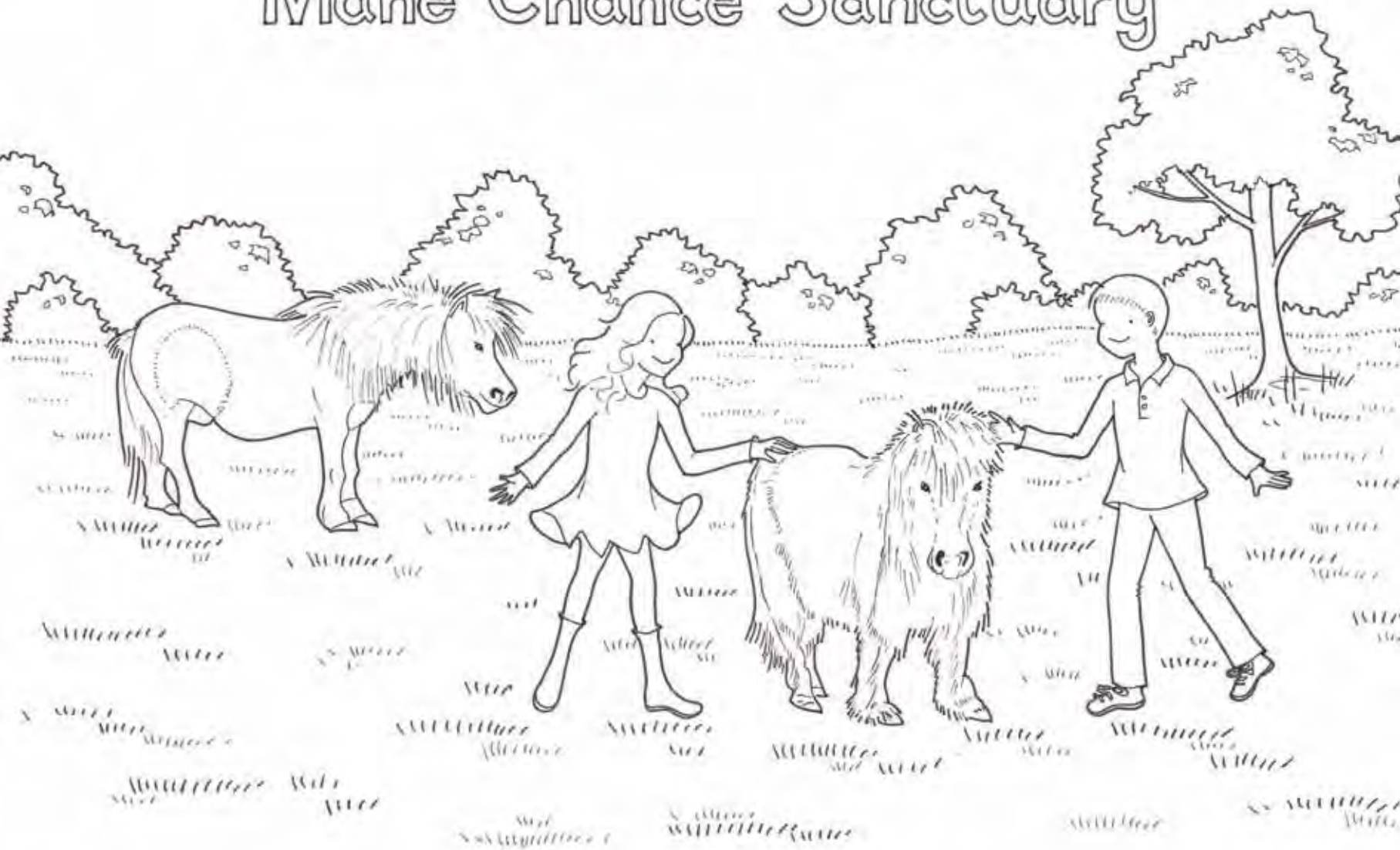
Watermelon and grapes



Ring doughnut



# Mane Chance Sanctuary



Alex



and Rosie



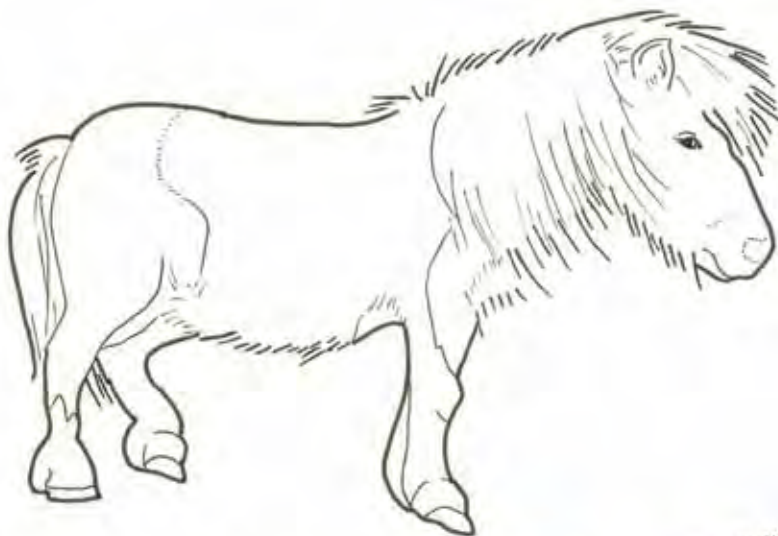
love



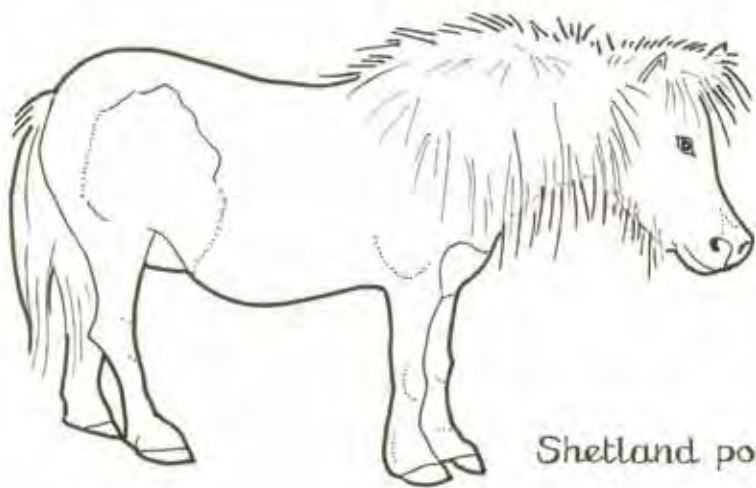
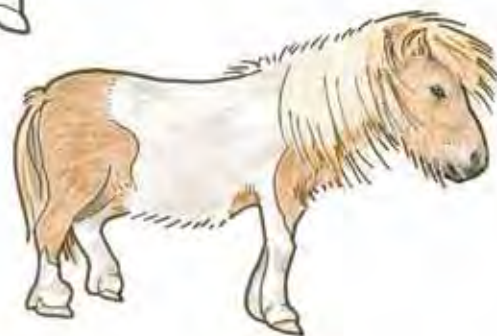
to stroke



the ponies.



Shetland pony 'Grimbo'



Shetland pony 'Mr Smith'

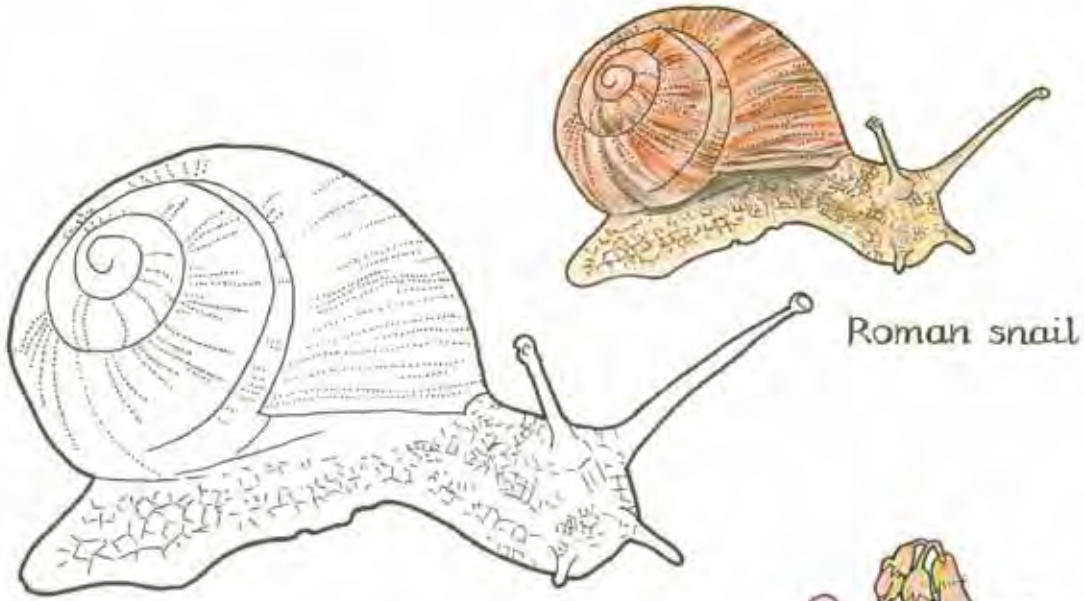




# Denbies Hillside



Alex and Rosie were surprised to find Roman snails in the grass.



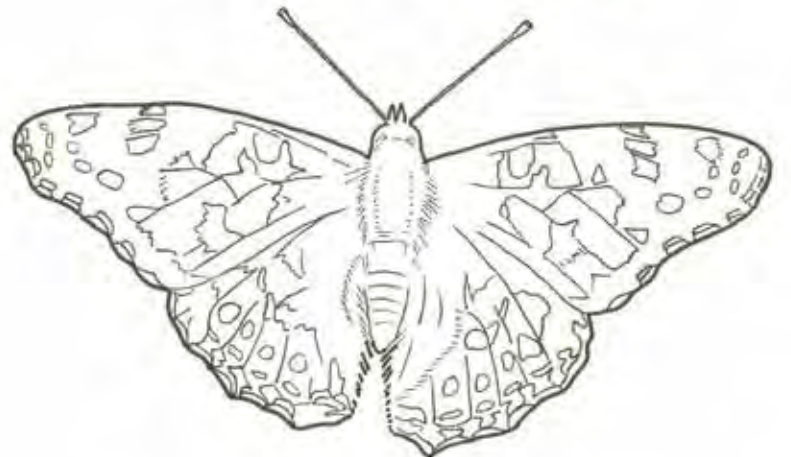
Roman snail



Everlasting-pea



Painted lady



# Box Hill



Alex



Rosie



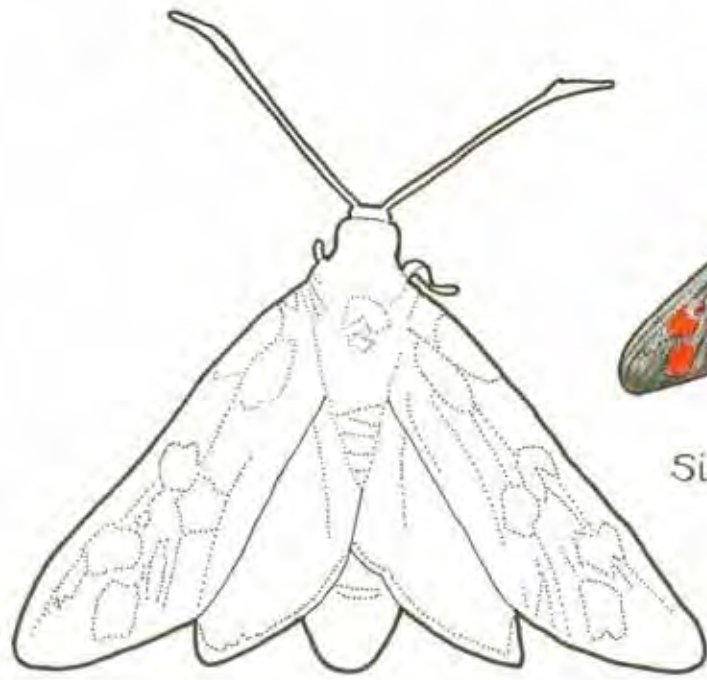
like



the play trail



at Box Hill.



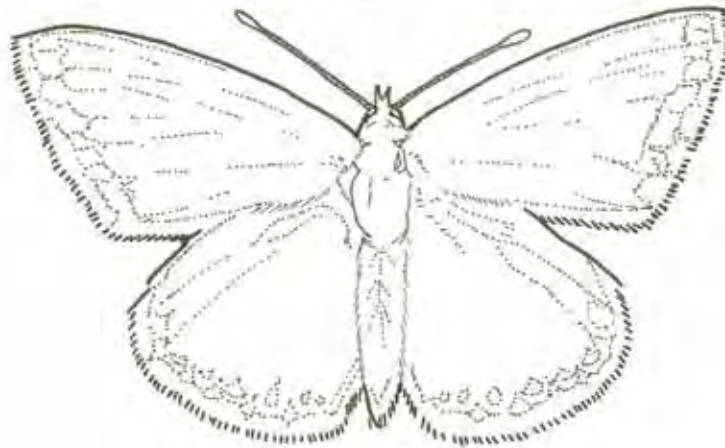
Six-spot burnet



Pyramidal orchid



Chalkhill blue



# Great Church Wood

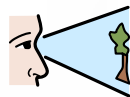


Alex

and



Rosie



watched



birds

in the



beech wood.



Jay



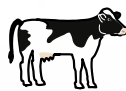
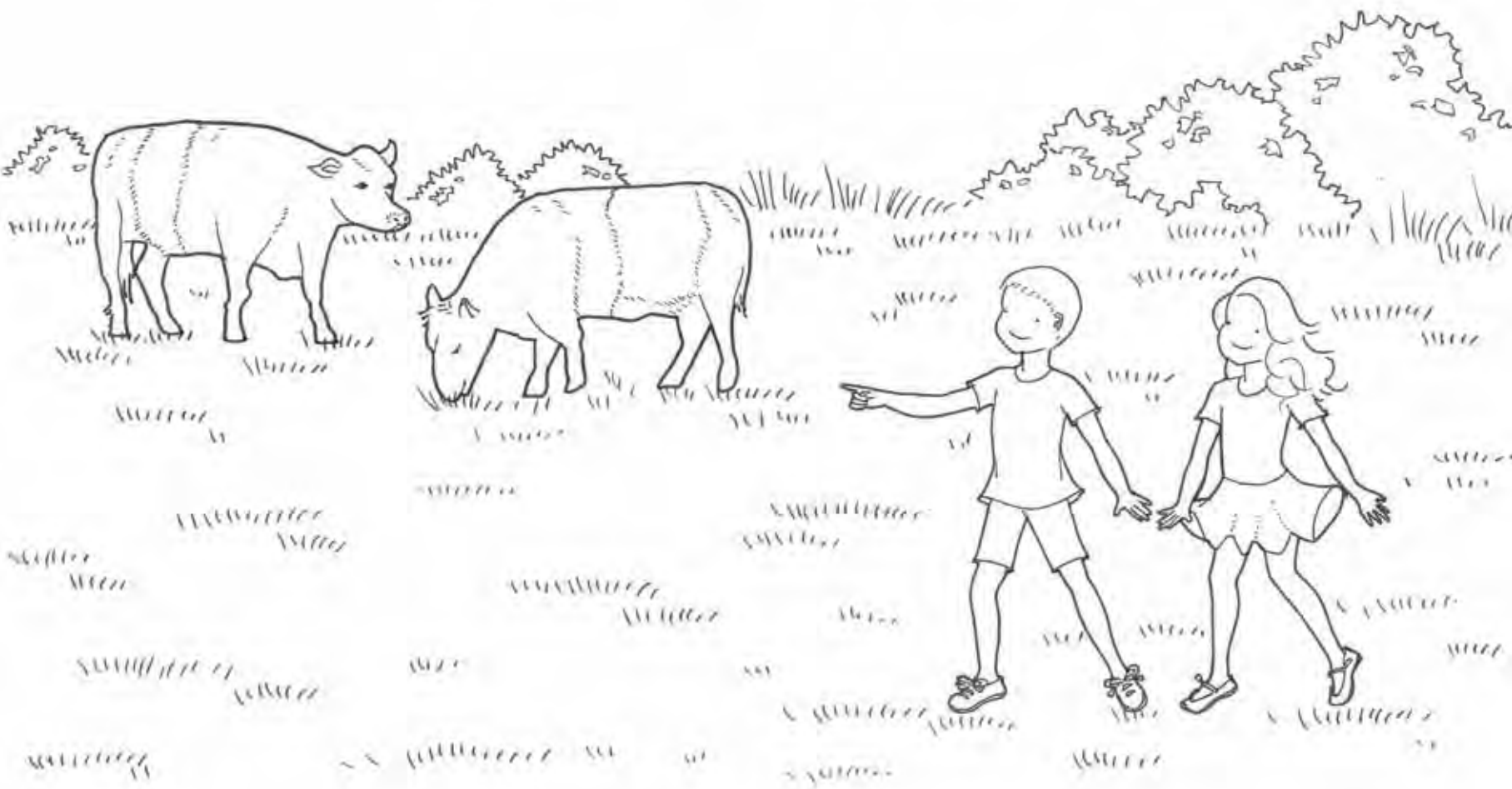
Great tit



Nuthatch



# Reigate Hill



Cows



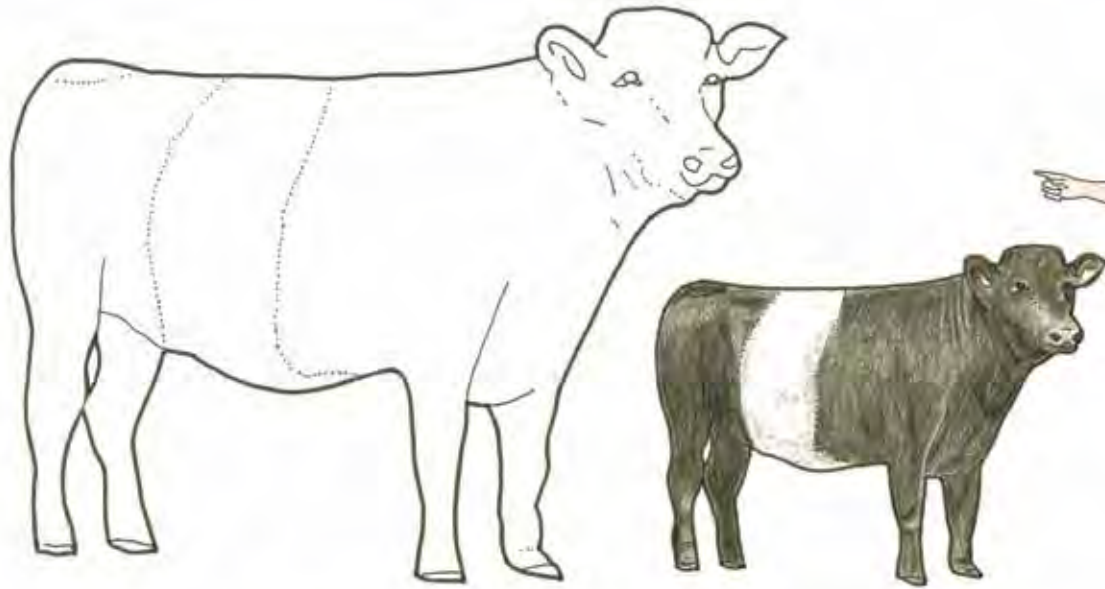
were

grazing

on the



hill.



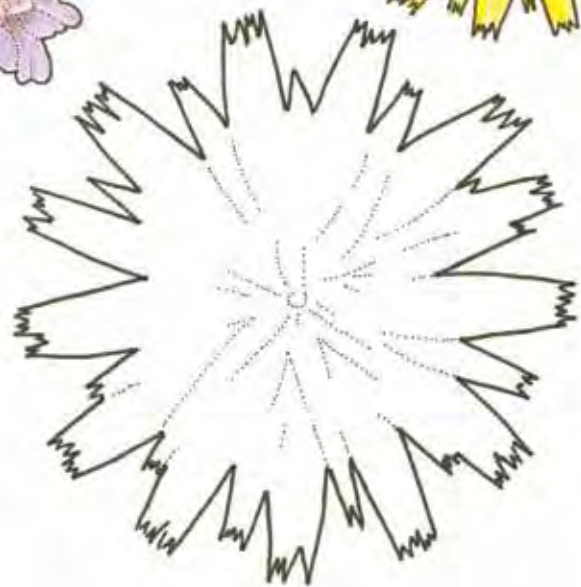
Belted Galloway



Small scabious



Cat's-ear





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