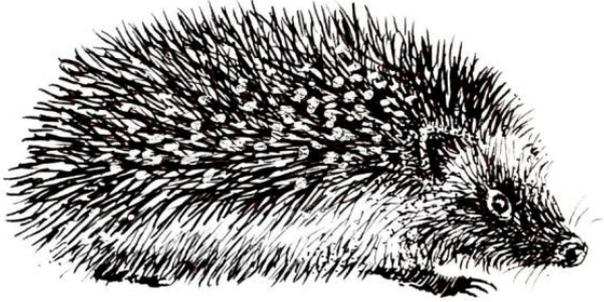


Making homes ...



What's your favourite (local) wild animal?

Most people know about feeding birds in winter but there's much more you can do to help all sorts of wild animals, if you want to.

You can make your garden or your school grounds *really* wildlife-friendly by finding out what the different animals need - and giving it to them.

You can help on other countryside sites too, **with the landowners' permission.**

Step 1 Choose which animal you want to help

Step 2 Find out - what do they need? (See p7 for some useful websites)

Step 3 Plan (in detail) what you can offer them and where

Step 4 Get the materials together

Step 5 Make it

Step 6 Install it, and watch....

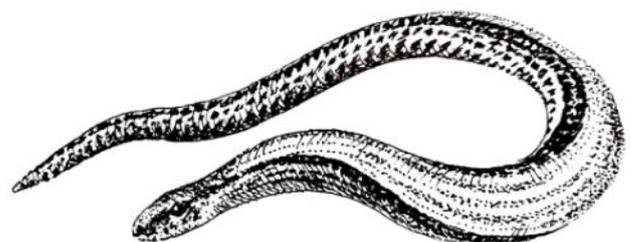
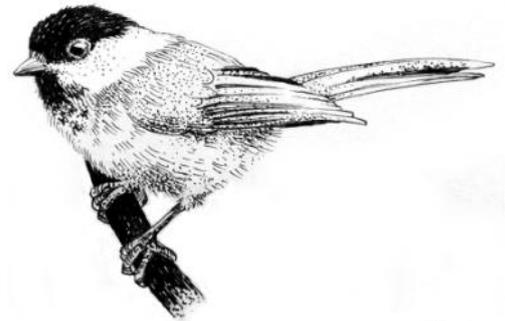
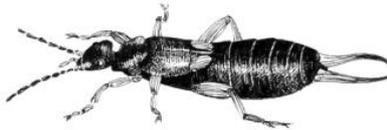
Step 7 Feel delighted that you are helping wildlife, and plan what else you can do.

In your planning - you might ask yourself....

Where will it be most useful to the animals?

Where will it be left alone by other people?

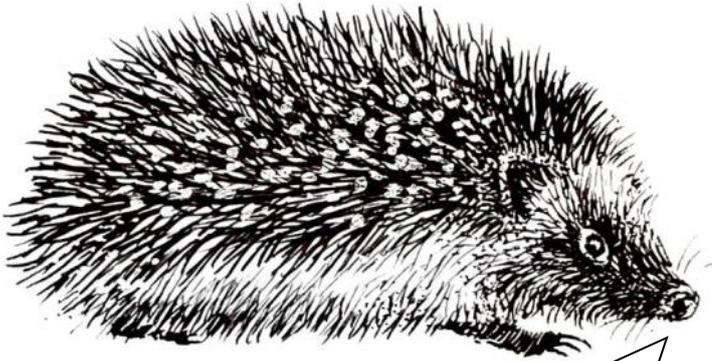
What other questions will you need to answer?



We all live on and around Broomscot Common

What sort of
places do we need?

What do we eat?



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I need

I eat



I'm a _ _ _ _ _

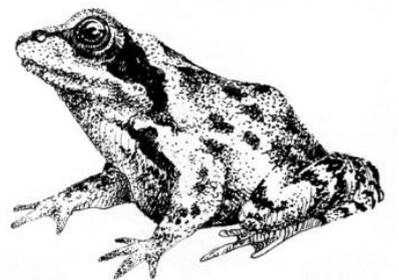
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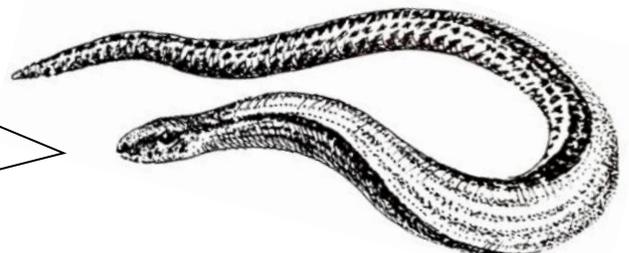
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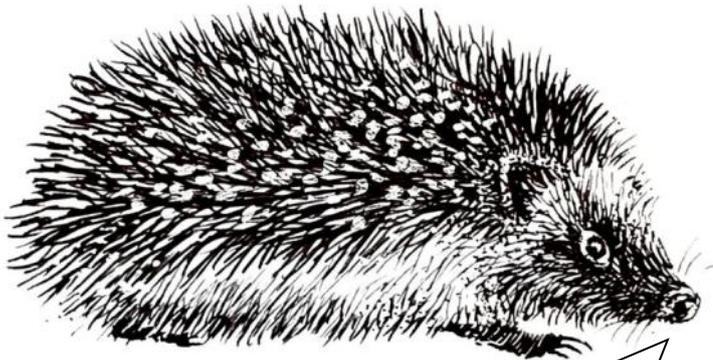


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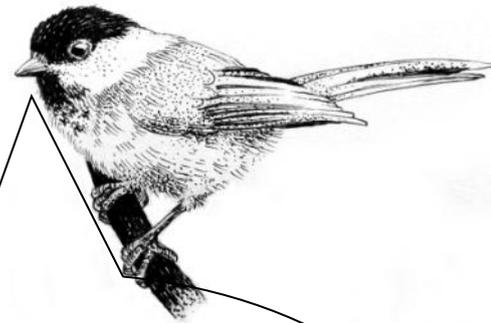
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Answers



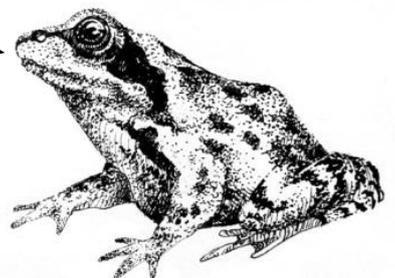
I'm a hedgehog - I need dry leaves and somewhere to tuck them under - to make safe nests to hibernate in. I need similar safe places to breed.
Mostly I eat - worms, slugs and snails, insects and other invertebrates.



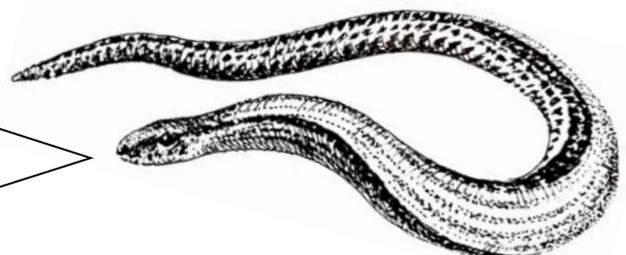
Mine's a strange request!
I'm a willow tit - in spring I look for soft places in the stumps of old, well-rotted trees so I can hollow out my own nest site. The trouble is the blue tits come along and nick them. If someone would give the blue tits a nest box they might leave my place alone!
I eat mostly insects but will also eat berries and seeds when I have to.

I'm a frog - I need sheltered, damp places with lots of insects and slugs **to eat**. In autumn I need to find a safe place to spend the winter - I look for log or stone piles, compost heaps, cracks in walls, tree stumps.

YOU CAN HELP BY MAKING SAFE PLACES FOR ME BUT PLEASE DON'T EVER MOVE ME OR MY EGGS!

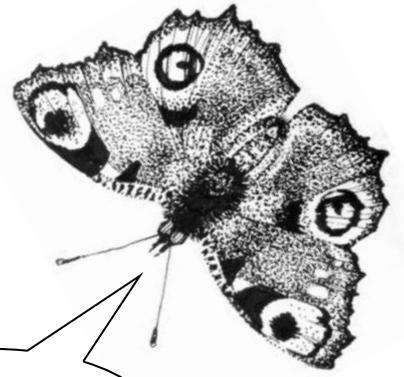


I'm a **slow worm** (not a worm - nor a snake, but a leg-less lizard). I need dry, frost free places to hibernate and safe sheltered places to breed - like heaps of cut grass or dense grassy tussocks.
I eat slugs and snails, spiders, insects and earthworms.



Little Ouse
Headwaters Project

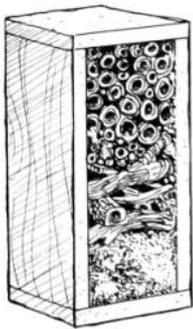
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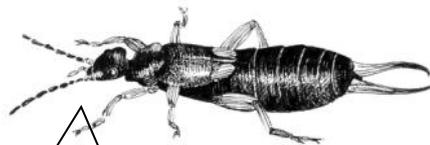
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We all need shelter for the winter
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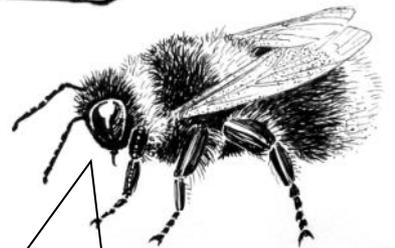
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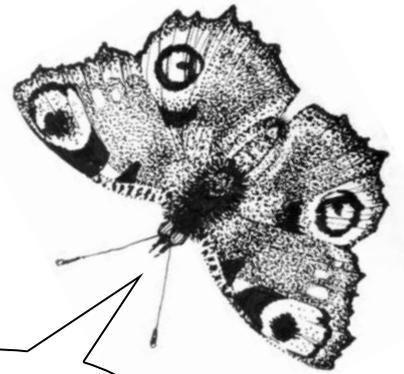
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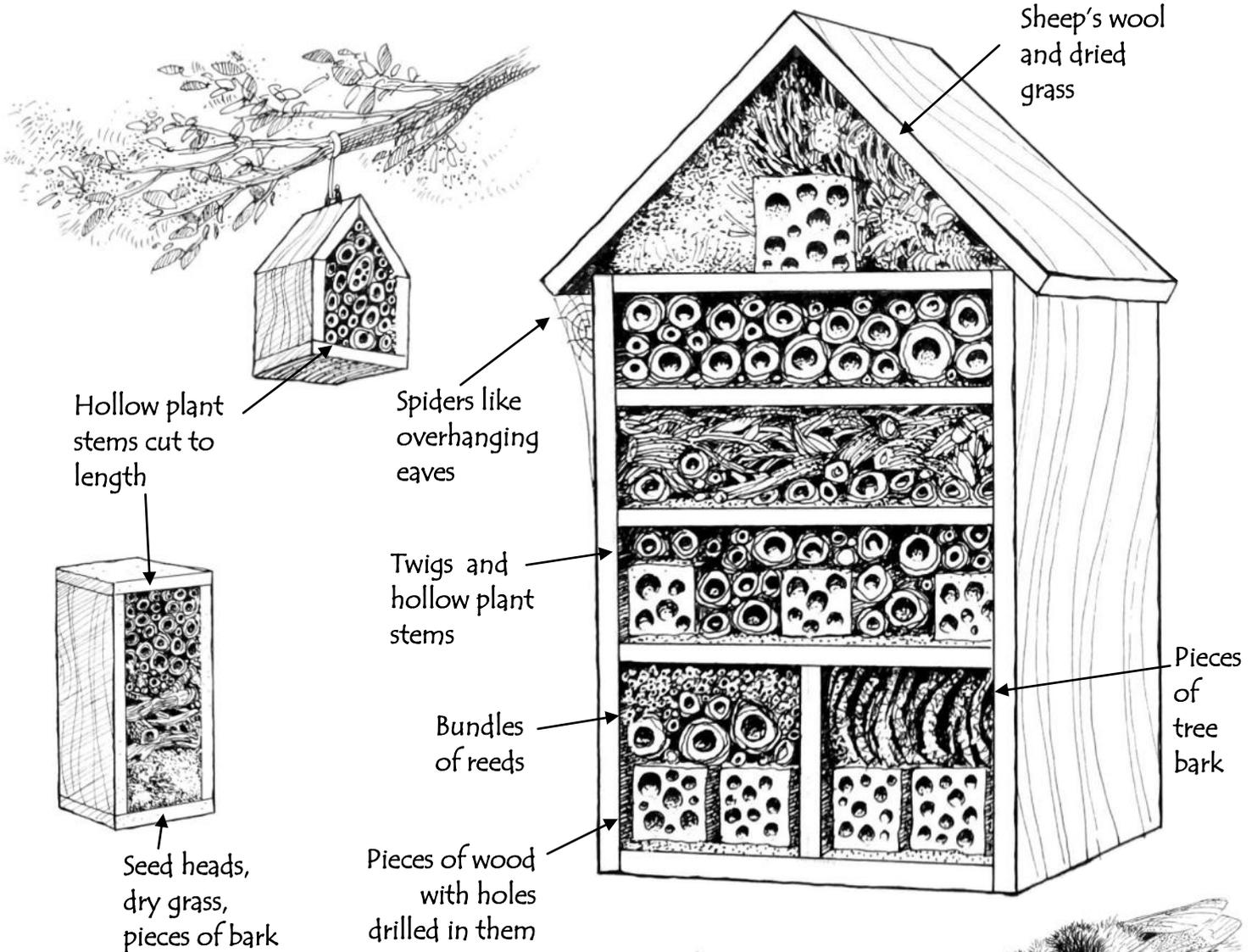
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I'm a peacock butterfly

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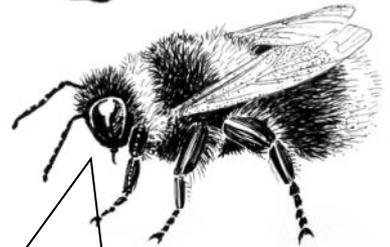
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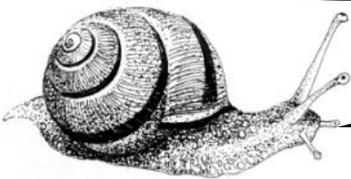
I'm a ladybird



I'm an earwig



I'm a bumble bee



I'm a brown-lipped snail



Find more ...

Help on many local species

- www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk
- www.suffolkwildlifetrust.org
- www.rspb.org.uk

Help for hedgehogs

- www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/leaflets/L5-Hedgehog-Homes.pdf
- www.mammal.org.uk/hedgehog

Help for willow tits (and other birds)

- www.bto.org/nnbw/nesting_birds/willow_tit.htm and
- www.livingwithbirds.com/books-we-love/bto-nest-box-guide/

Help for reptiles and amphibians

- www.froglife.org/
- www.rspb.org.uk/hfw/factsheets/HFW22.pdf

Help for insects

- www.buglife.org.uk/
- www.bbc.co.uk/nature/life/Insect/by/rank/all
(Short films and info on many insects)

Help - general

- www.bbc.co.uk/nature/22720319

