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Animals

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Animals are one of the ways seeds are spread. Animals usually pick up their food and carry it away to another place to eat. Part of the food sometimes falls to the ground. If a seed is in the food that has fallen to the ground, a plant will grow. Animals also like to eat the outside of fruit. When they are finished, the seeds are left behind. These seeds will grow into a plant.

X the pictures of animals that will spread seeds.



Print 2 animals that eat seeds or fruit in the spaces below.

1.

2.




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Some animals like to bury seeds and berries so they can eat them later. Squirrels, chipmunks and mice are examples of animals that bury food. Sometimes, they forget where they hid their food. When this happens, seeds will germinate in their new location and grow into a plant.

What 2 types of foods do these animals like to bury?

1. _____ 2. _____

Match the words to the picture.

squirrel	chipmunk	mouse
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Some seeds have hooks or spines that get stuck on an animal's fur or feathers. When the animal moves around from one place to the other, the seeds inside these plants fall off. When on the ground, these seeds will grow into a plant of their own. The pictures below are examples of plants that have hooks and spikes that stick to animals.

Can you see the spikes and hooks on these plants? Put an X on the burrs:






Wind

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Wind is another way seeds spread. When the wind blows hard enough, seeds break away from the plant and fly or glide through the air. Some seeds land on the ground nearby while other seeds travel further away. When this happens, seeds will germinate in their new location and grow into a plant. Dandelions, Thistle and Daisies are examples of plants that spread their seeds with the help of the wind.

Match the flower name under the matching picture.

Dandelion	Thistle	Daisy
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Print 1 plant that uses the wind to help spread their seeds.

1.

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Trees produce leaves with seed pods. When the wind blows, these seed pods float to the ground where the seed is released.

The pictures below are examples of seed pods found on a leaf. In your group, answer the following questions?




1. Can you find the seeds? Mark seeds with an X
2. How are these pictures the same?
3. How are these pictures different?
4. What special feature allows this leaf to be carried by the wind?



Many plants need the wind to bend their stems so that the seeds spill out of the seed pod. Some seed pods face downwards, but many have their opening at the top, and these need the wind to bend their stems enough to allow the seeds to fall out.

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Match the flower name to the picture.

sunflower	poppy	daffodil
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Print 1 plant that uses the wind to bend its stem so the seeds fall to the ground.

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