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'Tom's in Town...'

1. Tom travels from his hometown to the countryside & notices many changes. What changes can you sense that are different to your hometown?

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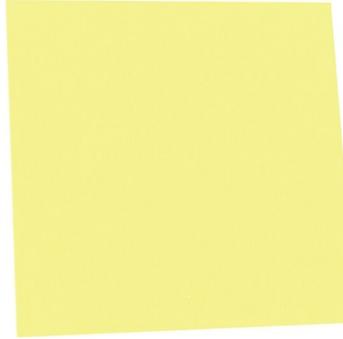
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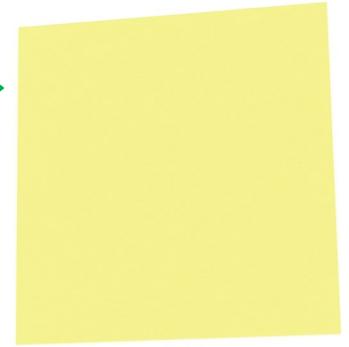


2. Make your way to the next story point. Along the way are some sycamore trees in a line, can you complete this challenge?

(c) Draw an image of their bark, here.



(d) Draw the shape of their leaf here.



(a) How many sycamores are there?

(b) How are their seeds dispersed?

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4 Take a break here!

Then, collect as much information as you can about the animals, plants & insects that live here at Malham Tarn. Note it down in the space provided at the back of the story booklet. Don't miss anything out, you'll need it later to complete the challenge!



5. Tom looks out from here, his old life behind him and the possibility of a new life ahead of him...

In box 5, write two similes, based on Tom's feelings & two based on what he might be thinking.

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Feeling

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Thinking

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6. Tom can hear the birds, look and listen for birds. Can you spot any?

In the following boxes are 4 birds: write their name under their picture and cross through the odd one out!



3. Tom can see some amazing creatures & plants here, he dreams of being a Ranger working with nature. Would you make a good Ranger? Let's see?

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(a) What is the smallest creature you can find

(b) Can you make a trumpet from a blade of grass? Yes/No

(c) We can't always see the animals that live here, but sometimes they leave behind signs to say they are around? What signs can you find, think about what animals they might be?

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The Water Babies Challenge

A New World

7. Tom has just become a water baby. What watery creatures might he come across here?

Watery Creatures:

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Draw your favourite creature here:

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8. In his new watery home, Tom has learnt a lot about the wildlife here, have you? Can you identify the wildlife below and cross through the odd ones out?

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9. Tom has just met his little water dog companion. Can you write an amazingly imaginative paragraph of their meeting?

(Include: 5 sentences, punctuation, adjectives, adverbs, alliteration and metaphors)



10 Tom has met Old Mother Carey. What, in real life, do you think she represents? Write your answer below.

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11. Tom has found Mr Grimes stuck in a chimney. Tom has a dilemma, can you help him?

11 (a) How do you think Mr Grimes is feeling?

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(b) Should Tom help him? If so, why?

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12. Tom has learnt all his lessons during his journey to The Other End of Nowhere, have you? Write down 3 lessons you have learned from the story of The Water Babies.



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WELL DONE!!!

You have completed Tom's Challenge!