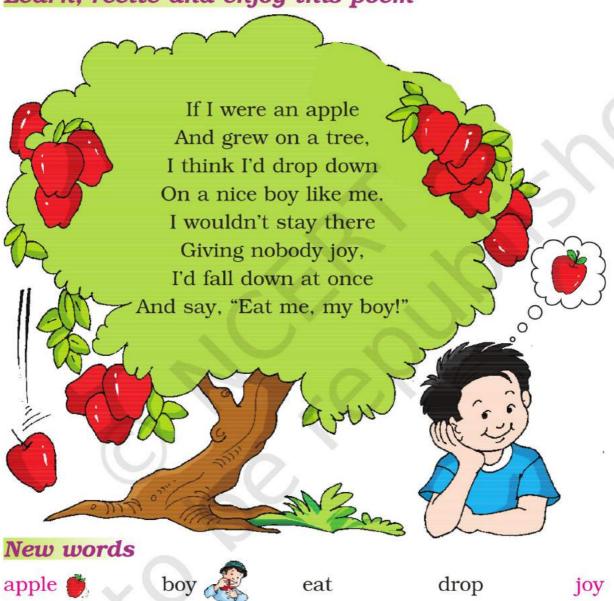
If I Were an Apple





Learn, recite and enjoy this poem



Let's read



I like to eat an apple. We clap our hands with joy.

Reading is fun



- ▶ Where is the apple?
- ▶ Where is the boy?
- ▶ How can the boy get the apple?

Let's talk 🧟



- Do you like apples?
- ▶ Have you ever climbed a fruit tree?

Let's share



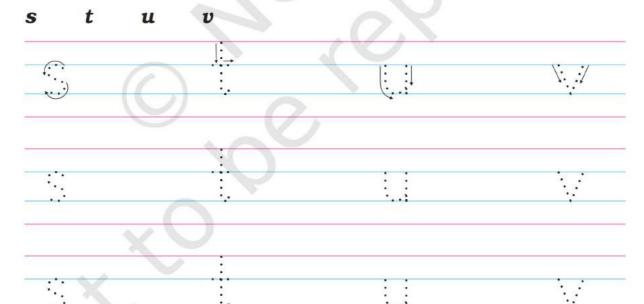
Fill in the blanks.

. (fly, cry) If I were a bird, I would

. (buzz, chirp) If I were a bee, I would



Let's read and write



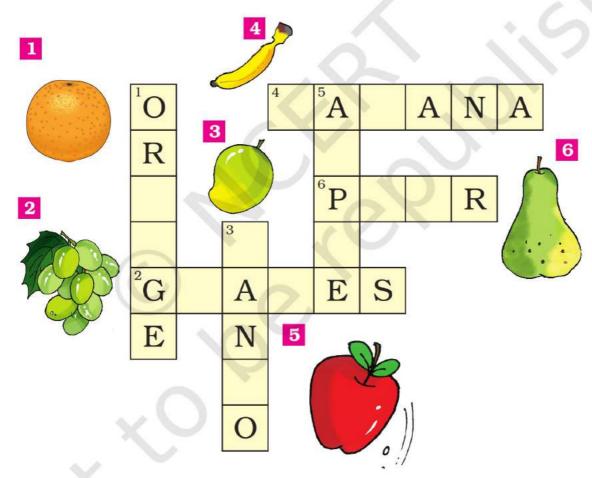
Say aloud

apple	drew	dew	ball	
people	grew	few	call	
ripple	threw	mew	fall	

Word fun



Fill in the letters to complete the crossword puzzle. Use the pictures as clues to find the fruit.



Which is your favourite fruit? Say why you like it, first in your own language and then in English.

Our Tree

Listen and read

A little bird sees Ripe fruit on our tree And eats a tasty berry. The bird flies tall And a berry seed falls.



The rains have come Hurry! let's run. Clouds, rain and sun... Our plant is born, a little one.



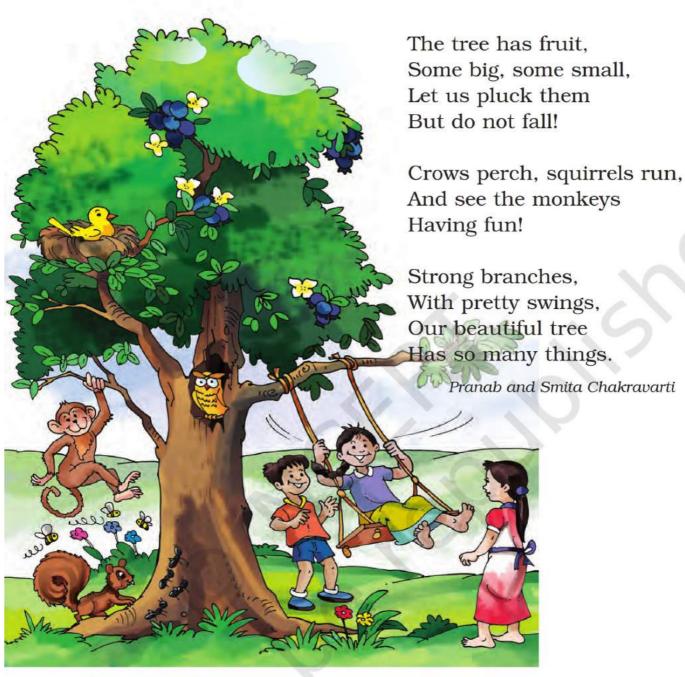
Now a tree, With branches long, Crows and bird-song,

Crawling ants and spiders' webs,

Caterpillars with tiny legs,

Rich green leaves, life aplenty.





New words

berry

caterpillars





tree

Let's read



Clouds bring rain. The tree has branches.

Reading is fun 🎳



- Where does the little bird see the fruit?
- ▶ What does she do?
- What happens when she eats the berry?

Let's talk

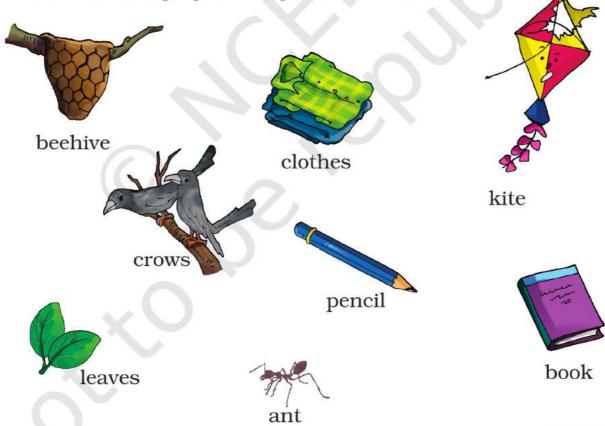


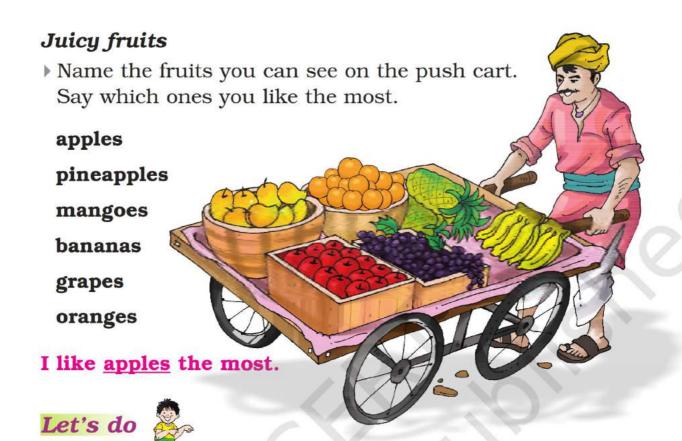
- ▶ Where do birds live? ✓
- Have you seen any birds near your house?
- Do you know their names in English or in your own language?

Let's share

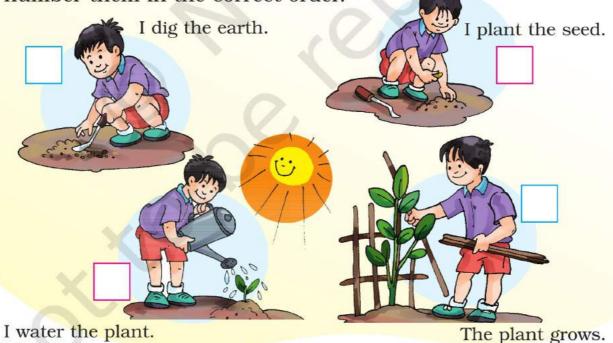


Circle the things you can find on a tree.





How does a seed grow? Look at the pictures below and number them in the correct order.



Let's think



Put a tick (\checkmark) if it is true. Put a cross (X) if it is not true.

	True	Not true
I like fruit.		
I like flowers.		
There is a tree near my house.		
The tree has flowers.		10
The tree has fruit.		6

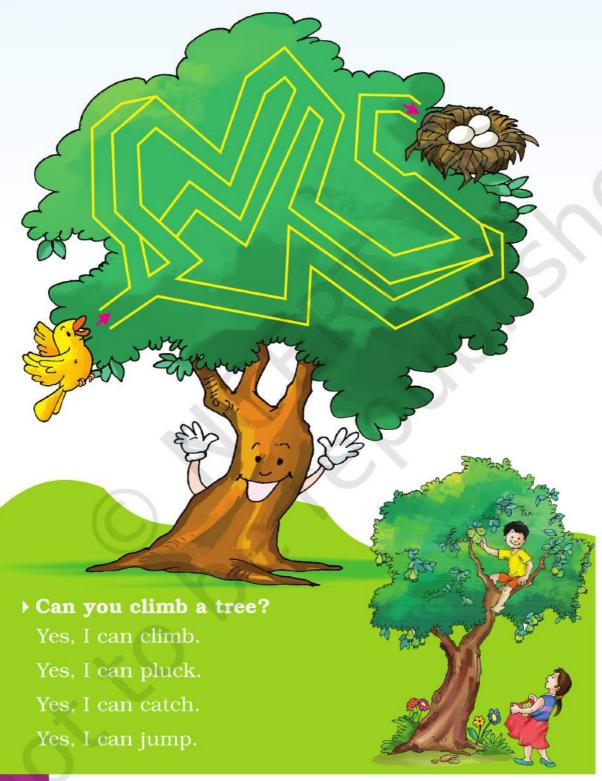
Let's read and write 🔏



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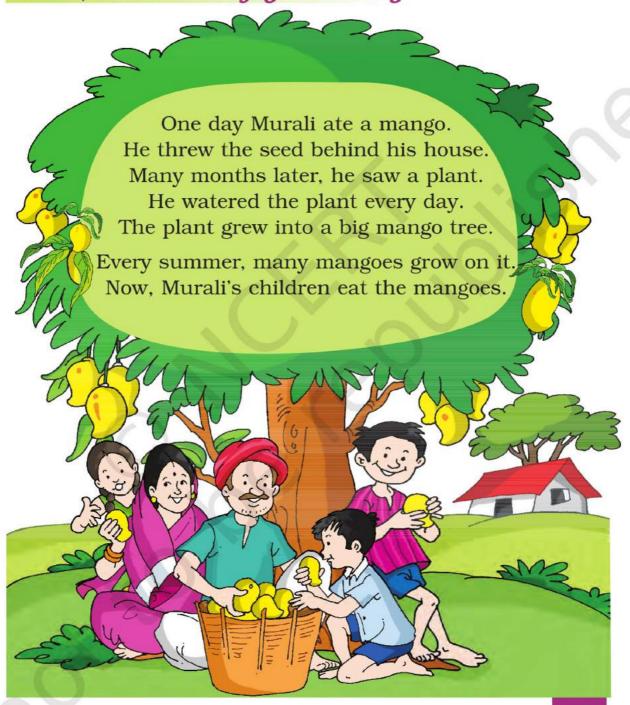
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Help the bird reach its nest.



Murali's Mango Tree

Listen, read and enjoy this story



Read the sentences and tick (\checkmark) the right picture.

Murali ate a (banana //mango /) one day.

He threw the (seed \ /mango) behind his house.

Many months later, he saw a (seed // plant 3).

He watered the (seed /plant) every day.

Many (apples // mangoes //) grew on the tree.

Draw a tree showing leaves, branches, fruit, birds, nest and a swing.

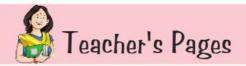


Let's talk



- Describe the picture using all the words given above.
- ▶ Should trees be cut?
- Name some trees which you have seen.

Poem — If I were an Apple **Story** — Our Tree Murali's Mango Tree



UNIT 6

This unit is a good opportunity for involving children in interesting activities about their environment. Encourage children to look and listen attentively and express their thoughts freely.

- Talk to them about trees around and how important they are.
- Share with them topics like "Why do you think trees are important for us?"

Give them clues like, "They give us shade, flowers, fruits etc."

Group Activity

Let the children make a class tree with their handprints. Let them stick leaves and twigs on it. Write this verse and stick it under a tree.

What do I plant?

When I plant a tree

I plant a circle of shade around me;

A circle of shade

Where people come

To rest under the sun.

Develop pronunciation

Words like tree, bee, flea can be introduced.

Exposure to language

This time let the *sight words* be the names of children which can be pasted on the tree that the children have made.

Names of all the children such as Ritu Kabir Mohan Lofang

Develop speaking skills

Give children a week or two to learn a rhyme, one in their language and one in English. Let them recite these. Always appreciate their efforts. Do not push children who are not ready for it. As facilitators we must let children speak at their own pace.

MATERIAL REQUIRED

A sheet of paper, some twigs, some leaves and an old cardboard sheet

Develop writing skills

Write the letters from ${\bf r}$ to ${\bf z}$ on the blackboard. Let the children read from the board and the picture dictionary. Encourage these early writing attempts and ensure a feeling of success for all children. Use Activity Sheets and a notebook to further encourage the patterns as on pages 65, 66, 69, 70, 71, 72 and 74.

> Use the method of developing fine motor coordination

Tell the class how to sort out three mixed pulses into different piles or sort leaves on the basis of their colour, shape and texture.

> Awareness raising

Have a discussion on the hazards of throwing things into the river and why we must stop this from happening.