

Monday 8th February

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Beatrix Potter started her story
by introducing the characters
and where they lived.

We are going to do the same.

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Once upon a time there lived a young mouse called Martha. She had soft, brown fur and a long grey tail which curled underneath her whenever she sat down, which wasn't very often as she was very kind and always looking after others.

Martha lived in a hole in an old stone wall which stretched all the way down the muddy lane. From the outside it didn't look like much but inside it was cosy and warm. There were pretty flowers in tiny vases and it always smelt wonderful because Martha loved to bake tasty treats for her friends.

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Here are some ways you might want to start our story:

Once upon a time...

Tucked away in the Lake district there lived...

Deep in the countryside...

High up in an old tree lived....

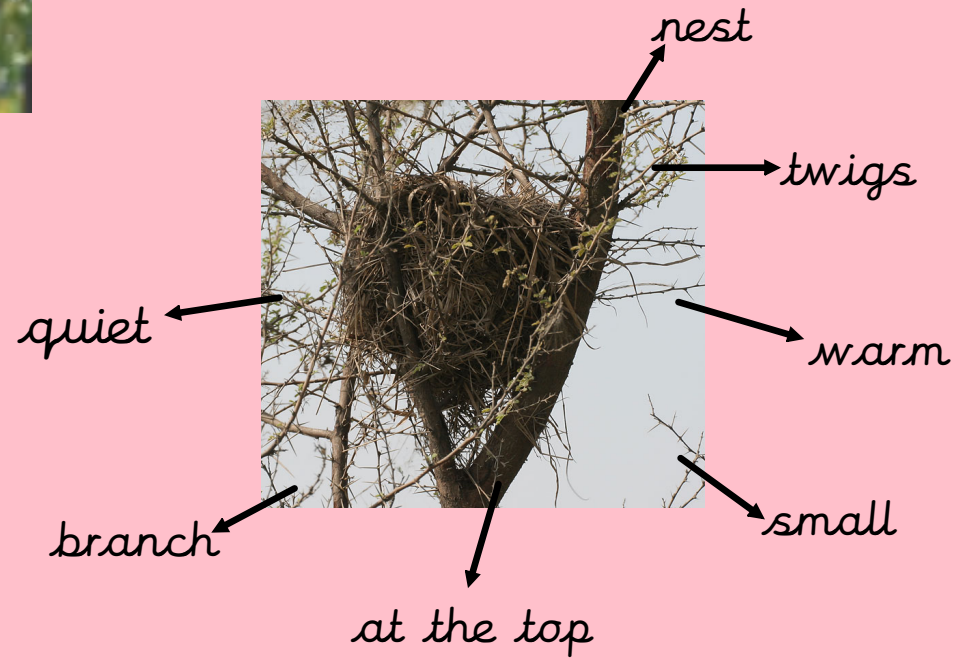
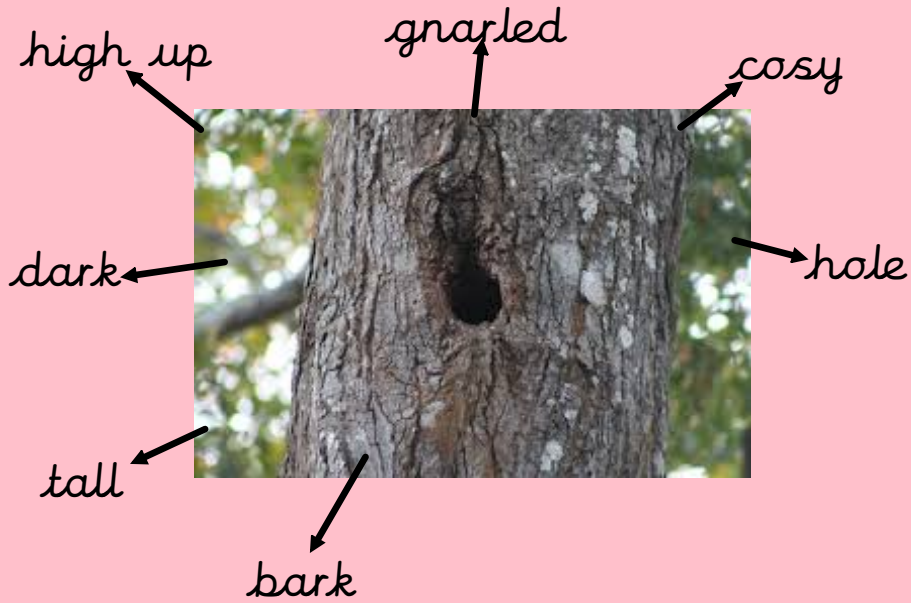


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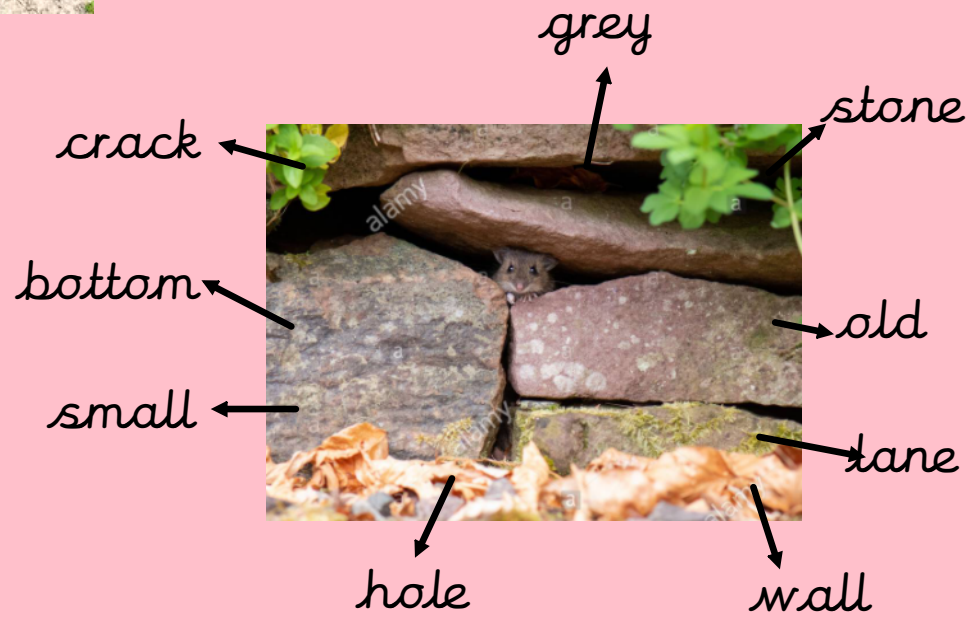
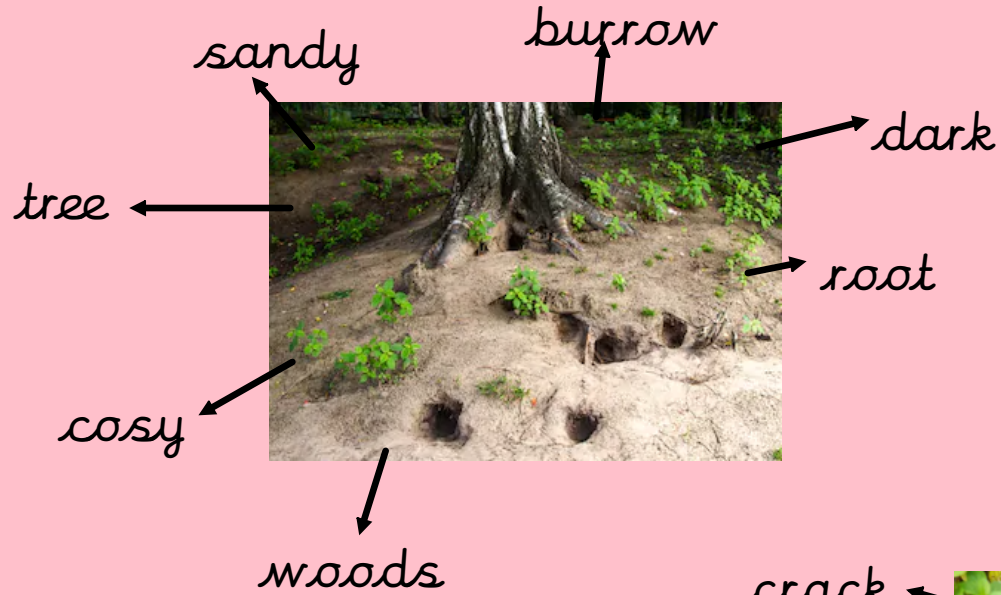
Once upon a time there lived a young mouse called Martha. She had soft, brown fur and a long grey tail which curled underneath her whenever she sat down, which wasn't very often as she was very kind and always looking after others.

Martha lived in a **small** hole in an **old, grey stone** wall. From the outside it didn't look like much but inside it was **cosy** and **warm** with **pretty** flowers in **tiny** vases all over and it always smelt **wonderful** because Martha loved to bake **tasty** treats for her friends.

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The image contains two photographs with handwritten labels in cursive script. The first photograph, on the left, depicts a busy farm scene. A red tractor is pulling a grey trailer on a muddy, dirt path. In the background, there is a large wooden barn and a smaller stone building. A wooden fence runs across the foreground. Labels with arrows point to various elements: 'bustling' points to the overall scene, 'busy' points to the tractor, 'dirt' points to the path, 'wooden' points to the barn, 'farm' points to the entire area, 'fence' points to the wooden fence, 'muddy' points to the path, and 'barn' points to the large wooden building.

The second photograph, on the right, shows a peaceful stream flowing over rocks. The water is clear and rushing over dark, mossy rocks. The surrounding area is lush with green trees and ferns. Labels with arrows point to various elements: 'trees' points to the foliage above, 'leaves' points to the green leaves, 'green' points to the ferns, 'stream' points to the water, 'cool' points to the water, 'rocks' points to the stones in the stream, 'rushing' points to the water's movement, 'peaceful' points to the overall atmosphere, and 'clear' points to the water.

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Success criteria:

- ★ CL and FS for every sentence.
- ★ A story opener
- ★ Short description of your character
- ★ Short description of where they live
- ★ Adjectives

