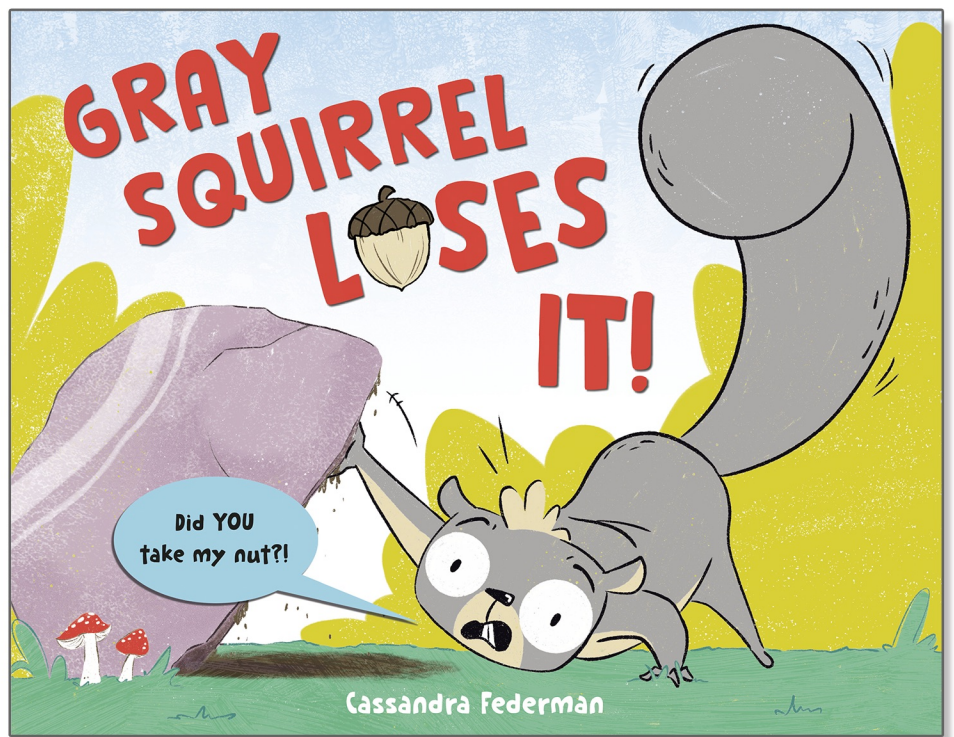# GRAY SQUIRREL LOSES IT!
ACTIVITY KIT

HELP GRAY SQUIRREL!

Gray Squirrel has a problem. He can't find his nut, and he's desperate for help. So desperate that he's going to interrupt this tour of the forest, where cardinals eat berries that turn their feathers red, white-tailed deer lose their antlers, and wood frogs freeze… Yeah, all of that might be fascinating, but Squirrel needs his nut!
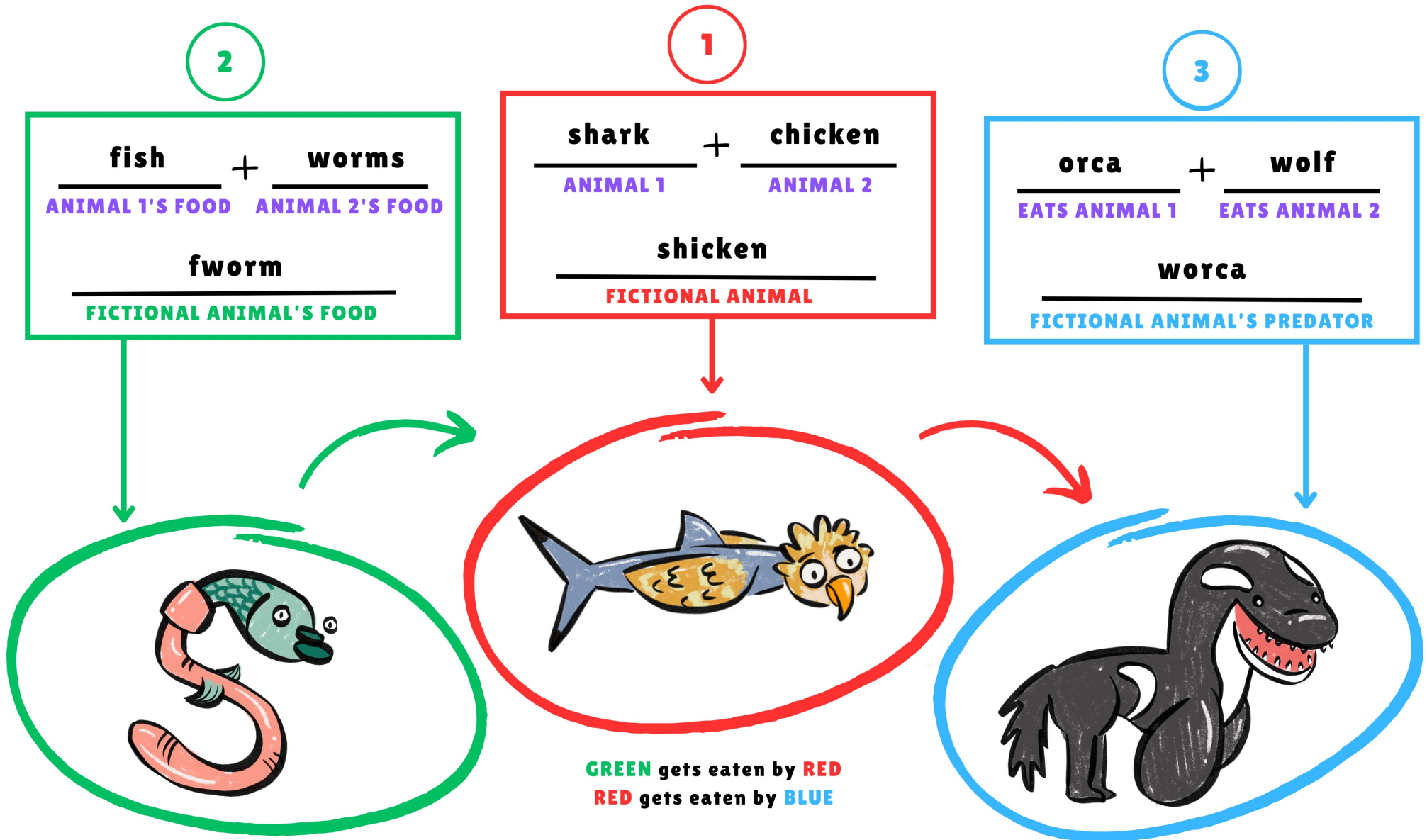

GRAY SQUIRREL LOSES IT!

Did YOU take my nut?!

Cassandra Federman

Activites are the GRAYtest!

RANDOM HOUSE
CHILDREN'S BOOKS

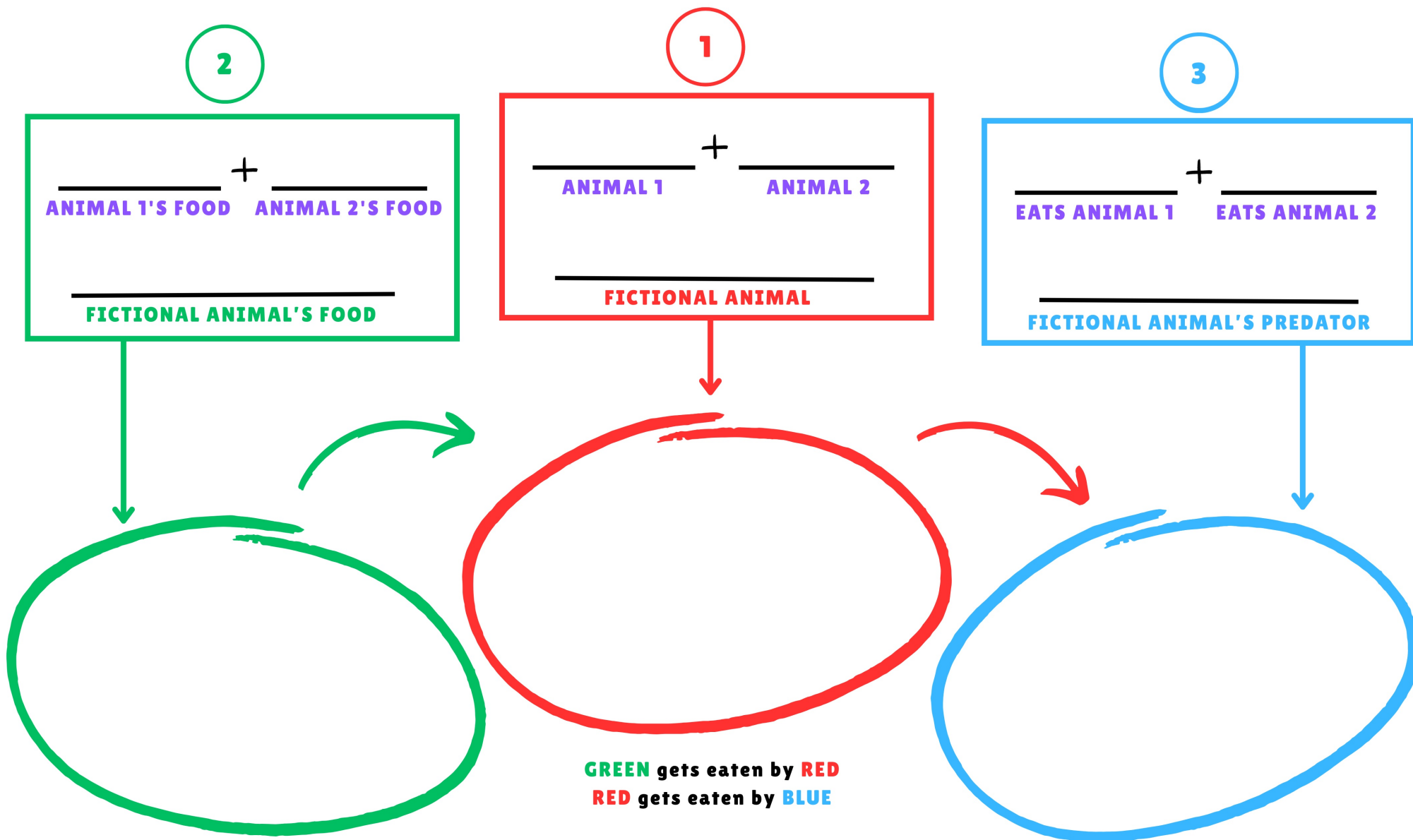NAME _____ **EXAMPLE**   # FICTIONAL FOOD WEB

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2

fish + **worms**
ANIMAL 1'S FOOD   ANIMAL 2'S FOOD

fworm
FICTIONAL ANIMAL'S FOOD

1

shark + **chicken**
ANIMAL 1   ANIMAL 2

shicken
FICTIONAL ANIMAL

3

orca + **wolf**
EATS ANIMAL 1   EATS ANIMAL 2

worca
FICTIONAL ANIMAL'S PREDATOR

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RED gets eaten by **BLUE**

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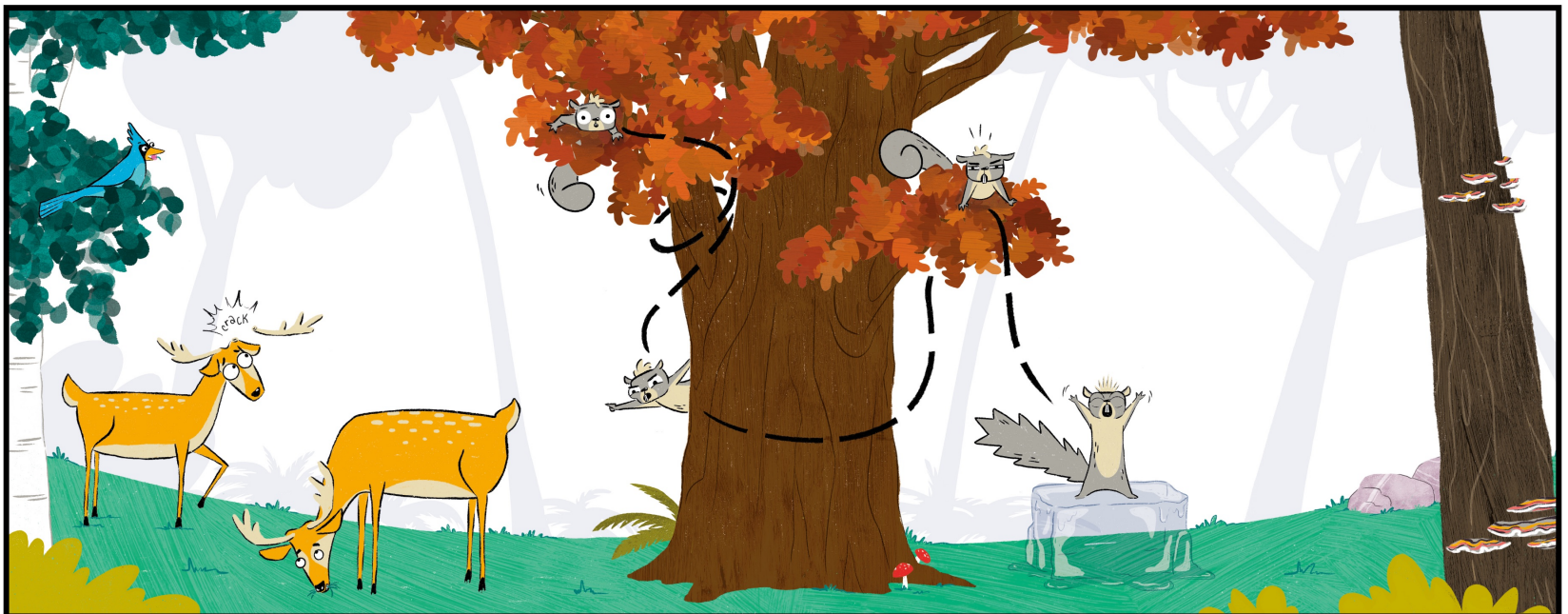
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_____ + _____
ANIMAL 1'S FOOD **ANIMAL 2'S FOOD**

_____
FICTIONAL ANIMAL'S FOOD

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FICTIONAL ANIMAL

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SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

Spot 10 differences!
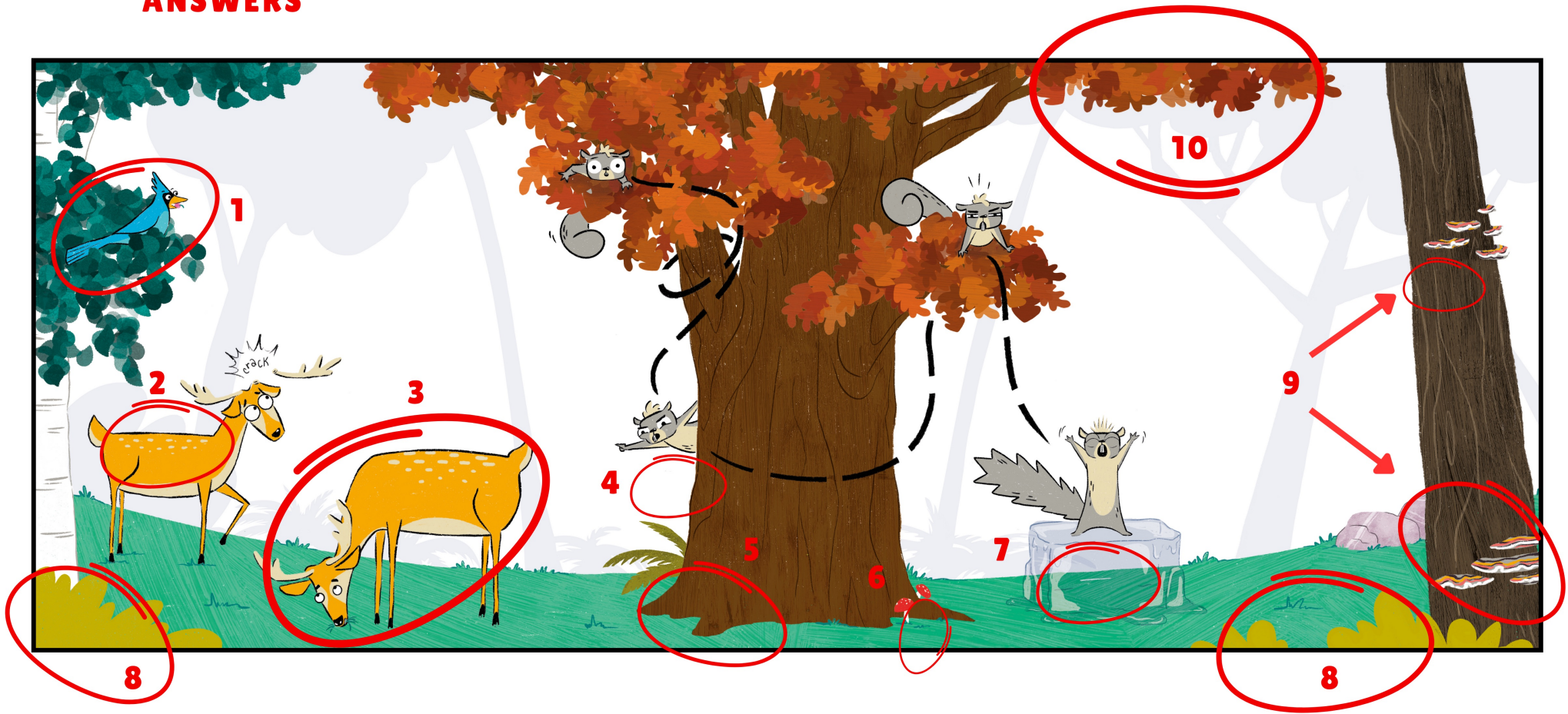
SPOT THE DIFFERENCES

ANSWERS

1 – CARDINAL COLOR

2 – SPOTS ON DEER

3 – LARGE DEER

4 – MISSING TAIL
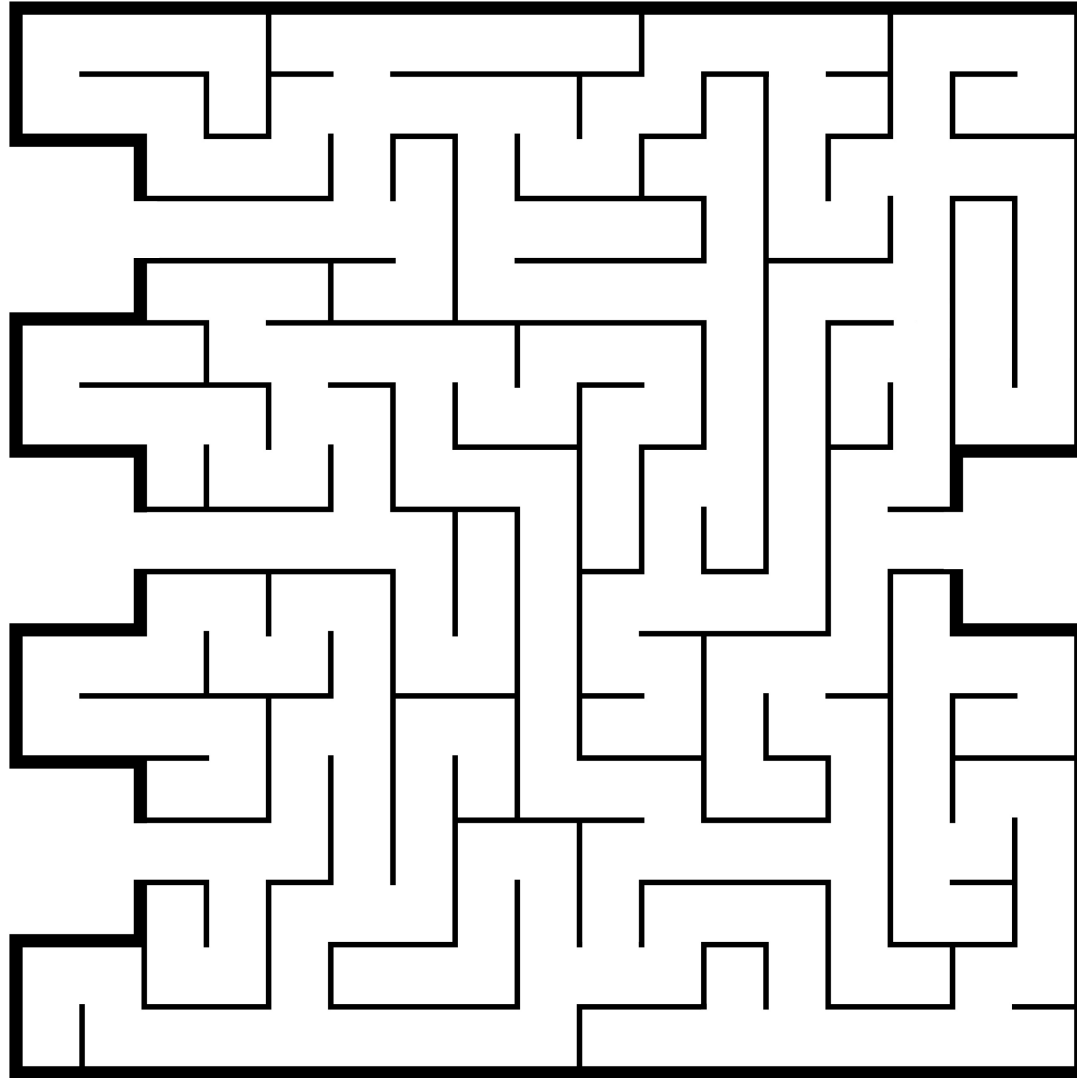
5 – MISSING PLANTS

6 – MISSING MUSHROOM

7 – MISSING FROG

8 – PLANT COLOR

9 – MISSING MUSHROOMS

10 – LEAF COLOR

ACORN-RUN MAZE

Help Gray Squirrel get to his nut, but beware! The other forest creatures are waiting for him to take the wrong path!

FOREST ANIMAL WORD SEARCH

BEAR
CARDINAL
SQUIRREL
WORM

MOUSE
FROG
DEER
LADYBUG
SNAKE

C	A	R	D	I	N	A	L
W	S	Y	M	G	S	A	E
O	L	N	C	R	D	N	R
R	F	Y	A	Y	D	M	R
M	R	N	B	K	E	O	I
F	O	U	E	A	E	U	U
O	G	I	A	D	R	S	Q
B	E	L	R	F	C	E	S