

12 Some people say that the top was blown off this tree in the Second World War and then the branches grew again.

Q What is the name of the tree?

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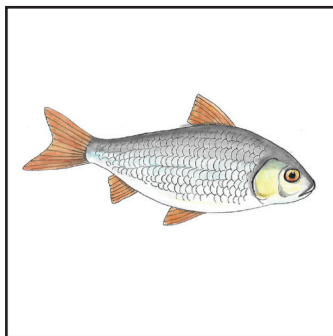
13 Woodland

This woodland is home to many types of tree. Dark green ivy grows on many of the trees. It makes a good nesting place for small birds like the wren. Ivy doesn't lose its leaves in winter.



Q What do we call this type of woody plant?

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14 Look down at the river and see if you can see any fish swim by. Lots of work has been done in the river to make it a better place for fish to live and breed.

Q Can you count how many fish you can see?

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Crane Park Island Detectives

Over 200 years ago Crane Park Island was part of a Gunpowder Mill.

Now it is a London Wildlife Trust nature reserve, home to many birds, animals and plants.



1 The Shot Tower

They used to make lead shot here, which was used for firing weapons.

Q How many steps do you think there are to the top of the tower?

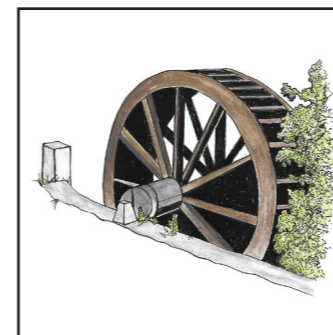
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2 Meadow

Birds, insects and small mammals make their homes here. They like the long grass.

Q What might the bee be doing as it buzzes around the flowers?

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3 Millrace

The big water wheel was used for grinding the ingredients of gunpowder. It was driven by the power of the river.

Q Can you name one of the ingredients of gunpowder?

(clue: look on the big millstones at the entrance to the island)

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4 Reedbed

This is a good home for birds, insects and amphibians. There is an important tree growing at the side of the reedbed. Its wood is used for making baskets and other useful things.

Q Do you know what it is called?

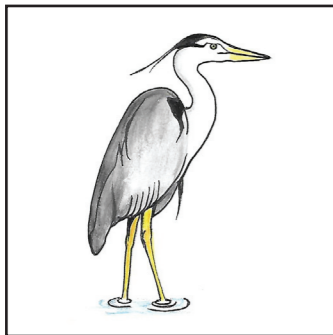
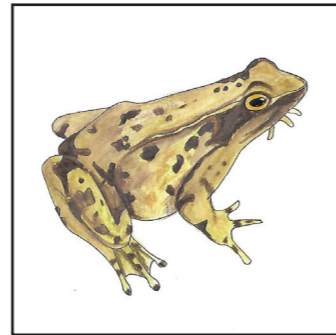
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5 The Pond

This is home to two different types of frog. The marsh frog and the common frog.

Q Can you name two things a frog might eat?

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You can see the river from here. If you are lucky you might see fish swimming by.

Q What is the name of the bird who is also looking for fish?

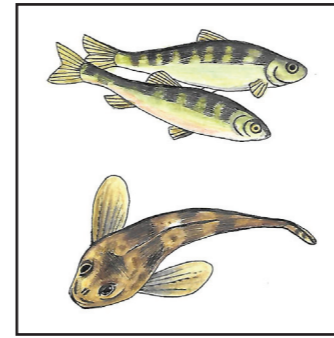
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7 Mini-beast area

Dead wood and long grass are all good homes for insects and other creatures. Lift up a log and see if you can find anything living underneath.

Q Can you describe what you found?

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8 River

The river is home to lots of fish and other creatures that live under the water.

Q When we see lots of creatures do you think it tells us that the river is clean?

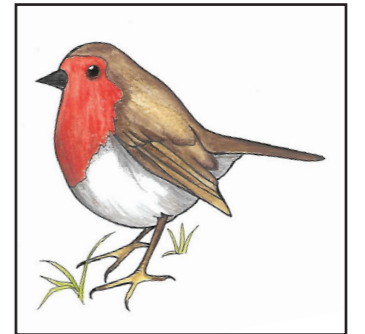
A YES (clue: A clean river is full of oxygen.)
NO Plants help give oxygen to the river)

9 Meadow

The hedge around the meadow makes a great home for birds to nest.

Q What is the name of this little bird?

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10 Glade

The old brick structures were once part of the gunpowder mill. Now they are home to many different wild plants.

Q How many different colour flowers can you see?

A

11 Former Millpond

There was once a big pool of water here. It was used to drive the mill machinery for the gunpowder mills. Now it a great home for wildlife

Q What is this bird called and what is it on the look out for?

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