Show Your Understanding

Part A

1. Cut out the jigsaw pieces on the following page. Match up the questions to the correct answers and stick them in the box below to create your Messy Magpie jigsaw puzzle!

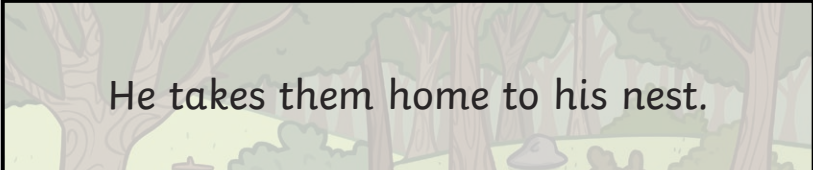| Who is the main character in the story?	Morris the Magpie is the main character.

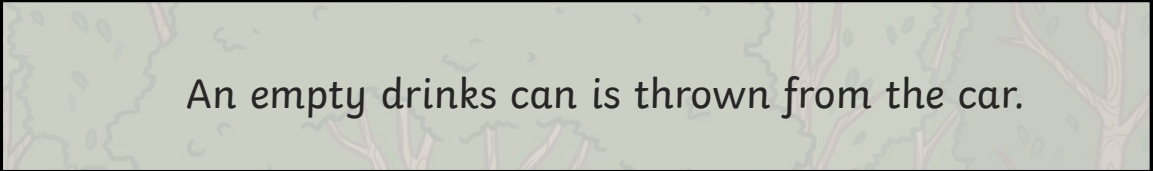2. Write one question you would like to ask Morris.

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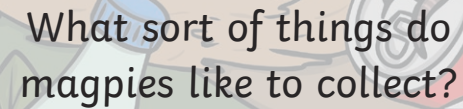Magpies collect colourful, shiny and bold objects.

What 'gift' is thrown out of a car window for Morris?
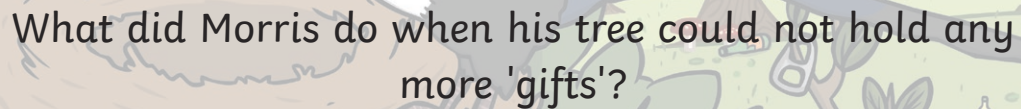
He takes them home to his nest.
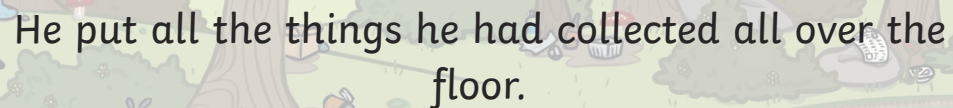
An empty drinks can is thrown from the car.

What sort of things do magpies like to collect?

Where does Morris take the shiny objects he finds?

What did Morris do when his tree could not hold any more 'gifts'?

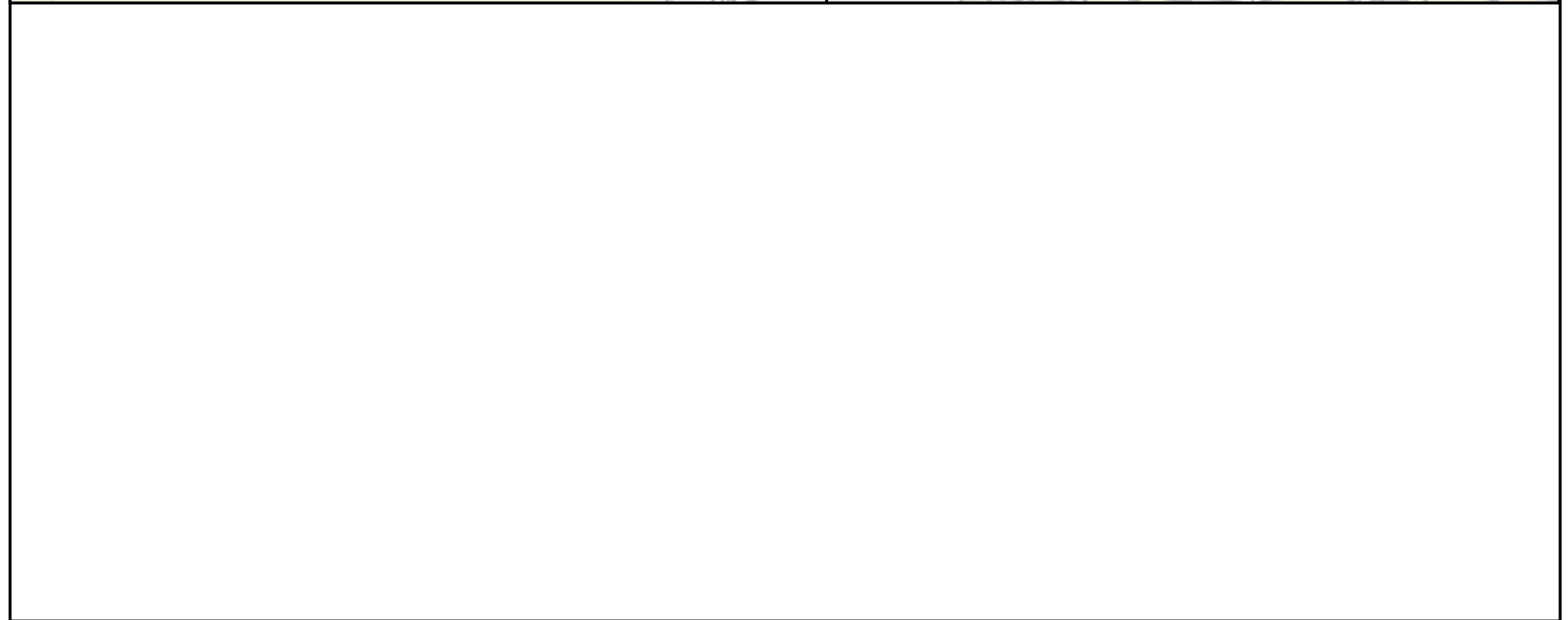He put all the things he had collected all over the floor.
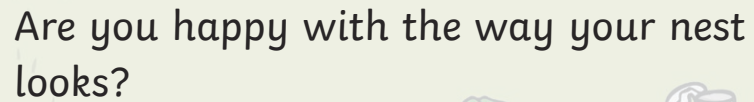
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Part B

1. How do you think Morris would answer these questions? Cut out the jigsaw pieces on the following page. Match up the questions to the correct answers and stick them in the box below to create your Messy Magpie jigsaw puzzle! (You will need to write in the answers for some of the questions yourself.)
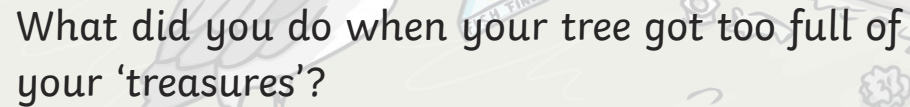
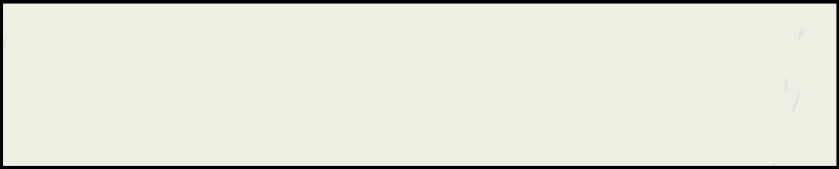| What sort of things do you like to collect, Morris?	I really like to collect shiny, colourful and bold objects. I love things that gleam!

Are you happy with the way your nest looks?
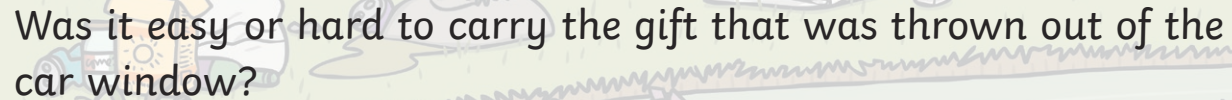
What did you do when your tree got too full of your 'treasures'?
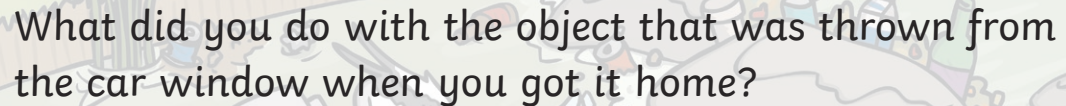
I think it looks amazing. It is full of all my beautiful things.
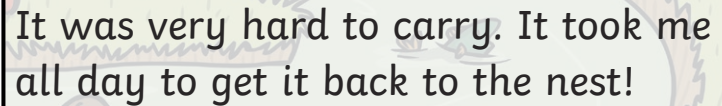
I gave it a good clean and then I put it on display in my nest. It looks fabulous!

Was it easy or hard to carry the gift that was thrown out of the car window?

What did you do with the object that was thrown from the car window when you got it home?

It was very hard to carry. It took me all day to get it back to the nest!

What things did the humans leave behind for you after their picnic?

Imagine you are a hedgehog who lives in the woods with Morris. Write down what you might say to Morris about what is happening to the woods. Do you think Morris' nest is beautiful? Are you happy that he has brought his 'treasures' into the forest?
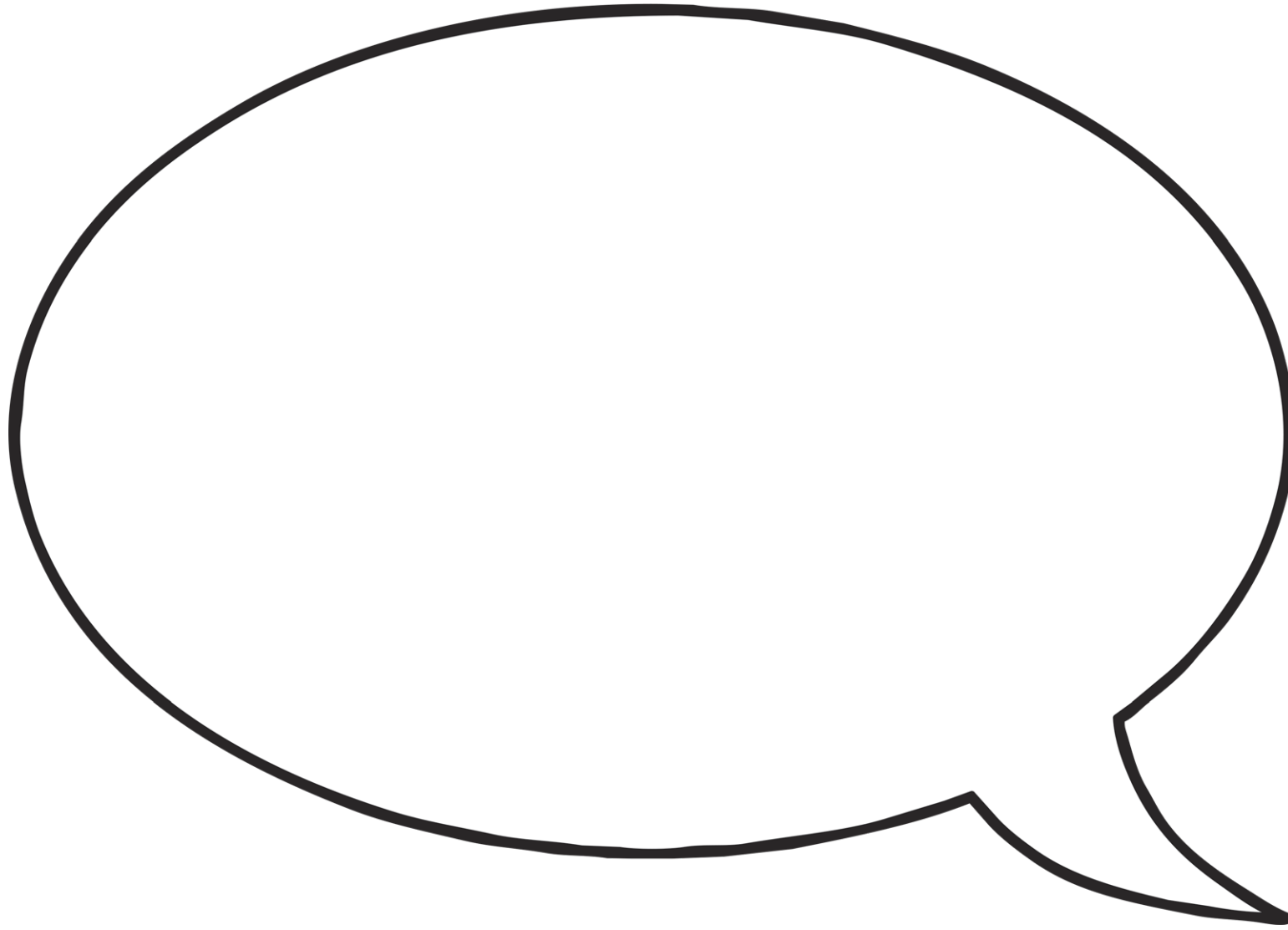
Answers

Part A

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Who is the main character in the story?	Morris the Magpie is the main character.
What 'gift' is thrown out of a car window for Morris?	An empty drinks can is thrown from the car.
Where does Morris take the shiny objects he finds?	He takes them home to his nest.
What did Morris do when his tree could not hold any more 'gifts'?	He put all the things he had collected all over the floor.
What sort of things do magpies like to collect?	Magpies collect colourful, shiny and bold objects.

2. Write one question you would like to ask Morris.

Example answer: ***What is your favourite treasure that you have found and why?***

Answers

Part B

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Was it easy or hard to carry the gift that was thrown out of the car window?	It was very hard to carry. It took me all day to get it back to the nest!
What did you do with the object that was thrown from the car window when you got it home?	I gave it a good clean and then I put it on display in my nest. It looks fabulous!
What things did the humans leave behind for you after their picnic?	*They left such wonderful things such as a shiny lid, a lovely bottle, a beautiful fork, a dazzling can, a jar, a bottle and some fantastic cartons.*
What did you do when your tree got too full of your 'treasures'?	*I started to spread all my lovely things all over the floor.*
I think it looks amazing. It is full of all my beautiful things.	Are you happy with the way your nest looks?

Challenge

Example answer: *This might look good to you, Morris, but all the animals think the woods are looking very messy now. Look at all the rubbish on the floor and in the stream. It is spoiling our woods! Our home is less green than it used to be and you keep making it worse. I don't think your nest looks beautiful at all and I wish things could go back to the way they used to be. You're making your friends very sad.*