



What plants and animals need outdoors

Junior Infants

Print and cut along the dashed lines. These carry the **text a group reads** — a job to do, a brief to research, or notes to identify by. Check the lesson's teacher notes for how many sets each group needs and how they are used: some lessons hand out one card per group, others sort or sequence a full set.

Robin

A small bird with a red front. Robins hop in Irish gardens and school yards. They look for tiny bugs and worms to eat, and they drink from puddles. A robin needs a safe nest spot in a hedge or bush. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Snail

A soft little animal with a hard shell on its back. Snails slide slowly on leaves and damp soil. They munch soft green leaves and like a cool, damp hiding place under a stone or leaf. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Water

A picture of a raindrop or a small puddle. Living things need water to drink. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Food

A picture of a leaf and a tiny worm. Living things need food for energy to grow and move. ^{R_s} ^{R_s}

Safe place

A picture of a nest in a hedge and soil in a pot. Living things need a safe spot to rest and stay well