

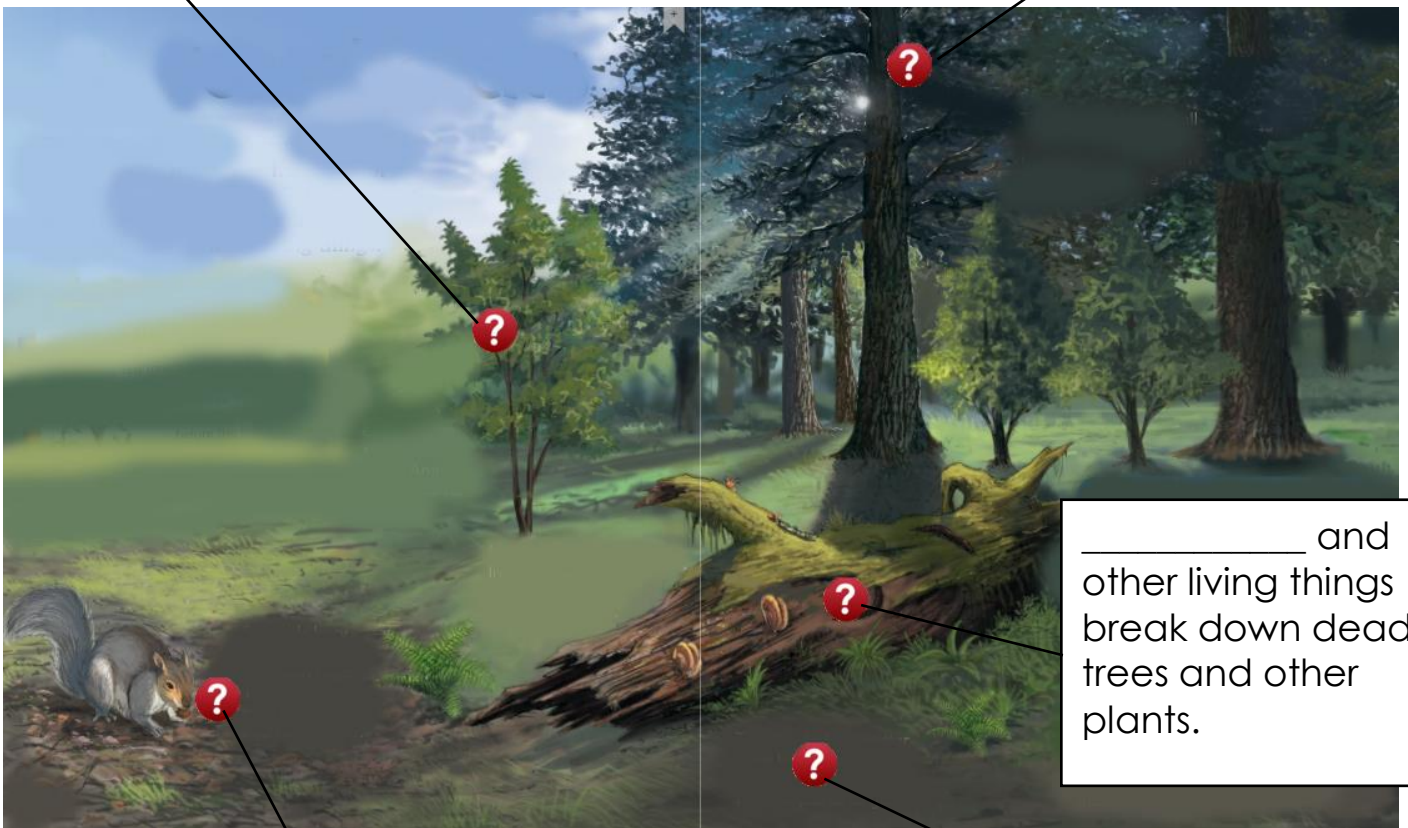
To help you complete this worksheet, use the Nature's Patterns book.

Forest cycles

Plants in a forest go through their own _____. Some plants live hundreds or even thousands of years. Others live for only one _____. Plants in a forest provide _____ for many living things.

Plants use energy from _____ to grow. Animals eat plants for energy.

_____ grow big and tall over the years. They block much of the sun from reaching the forest floor.



_____ and other living things break down dead trees and other plants.

Squirrels bury _____ so they can eat them later. The forgotten nuts may grow into new plants.

The dead plant matter goes back into the _____. It makes the soil ready for new plants to grow.