



## *Secret Life of Trees*

- 1** Add some more labels to the picture on pages 6–7 to identify as many parts of the tree as you can.
- 2** What different creatures can you see on pages 12–13?
- 3** Write a small fact box to explain what is happening to the tree in the four pictures along the bottom of pages 14–15.
- 4** Write a fact file comparing evergreen and broad-leaved trees.
- 5** Add labels to the cones on pages 24–25 to explain how they change in different temperatures.
- 6** Write a glossary entry for a term that you aren't familiar with from the book.

## **Answers**

- 1** Answers will vary. Example answer: trunk, leaves, branch.
- 2** birds' eggs, wasps, beetles, insects, badgers
- 3** Answers will vary. Example answer: As the weather gets colder, the tree's green leaves slowly turn yellow and brown and fall off the branches. By winter, there are no leaves left on the tree at all.
- 4** Answers will vary, but facts could include the following:  
Broad-leaved trees: large flat leaves, wide spreading branches, loses leaves in winter, new buds appear on the tree in spring, seeds protected by shells  
Evergreen trees: short sharp needles, bouncy branches, seeds protected by cones, found in cold climates
- 5** closed scales to protect the seeds from cold weather conditions; open scales in warm weather conditions
- 6** Answers will vary. Example answer:  
tropical: belonging to the tropics where the weather is warm and wet