

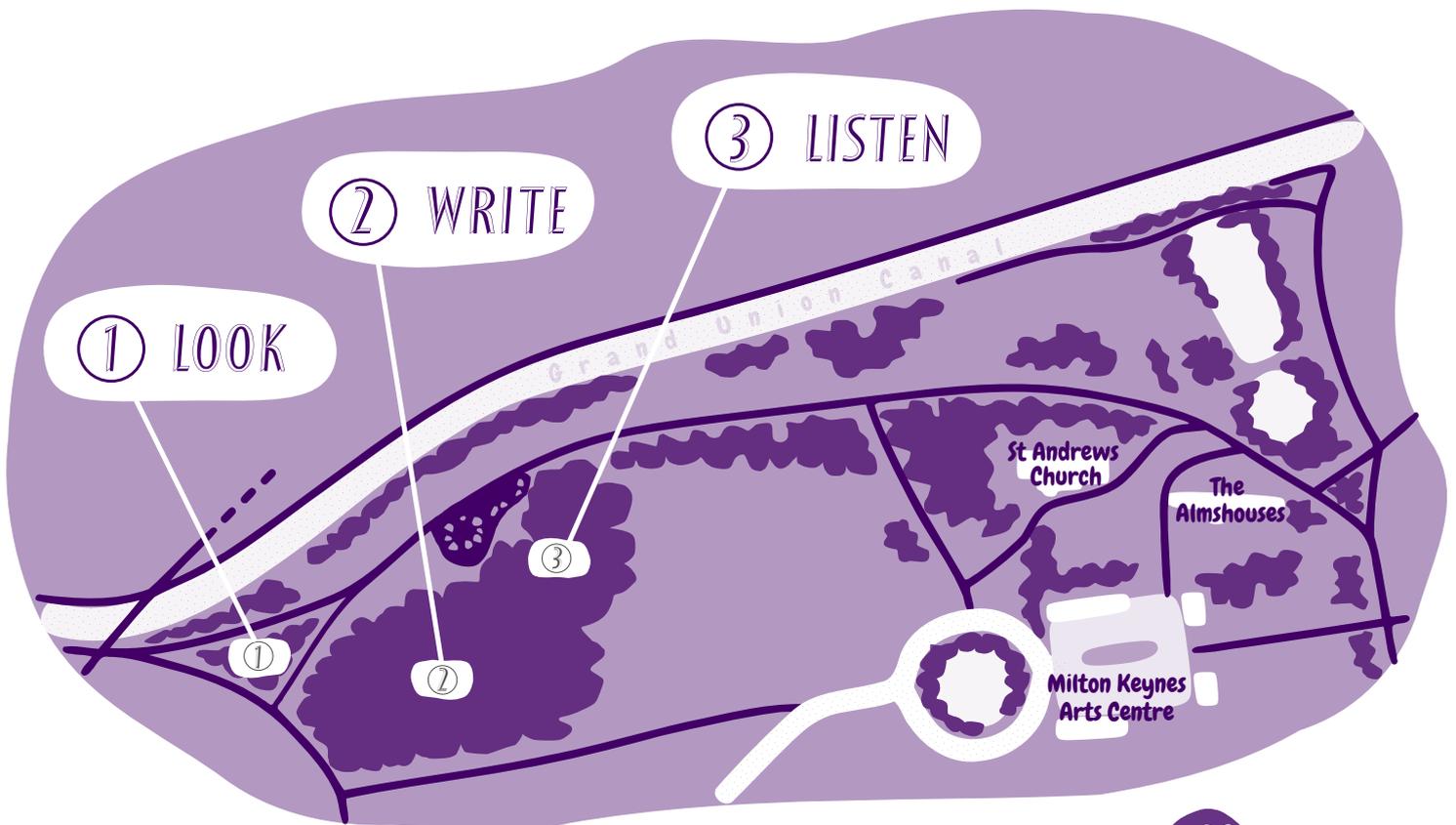
ACTIVITIES FOR
ALL AGES



EXPLORE THE PARK WITH US!

Join in with our activities inspired by Great Linford Manor Park. You can take part wherever you are, whether you are in the park itself or at home. These activities work well in an outdoor space, so you could take this book with you to your garden or on a walk.

If you visit Great Linford Manor Park in spring 2021, look out for the temporary artworks we made that are dotted around the park. Use the map below to find them. Bring this book with you and some pencils, pens or paints, the park is a great place to do these activities!



You can also join in online with some of the activities – help make a collaborative online soundscape and send in a nature message that's printed in a fanzine!

See page 8 for details of how to Join In Online.

MAKE A NATURE MESSAGE!

If you are in Great Linford Manor Park, visit artwork ② **WRITE** and read the messages put up in the trees.

Think about your outdoor space and come up with a message that you would want to put there. Your message could be about nature, wildlife, ecology or just being outside. What does the outdoors mean to you?

Create your message using things you can find outside to make the letters. You could make your message out of twigs, leaves, pebbles, mud, moss or other things you find outside. Remember not to pull up or snap any living plants!



● JOIN IN ONLINE!

Take a photograph of your message and upload to our project web page. We'll put all the messages from everyone who has taken part together and send you a copy of the printed fanzine!

See page 8 for details of how to join in with the activities online.

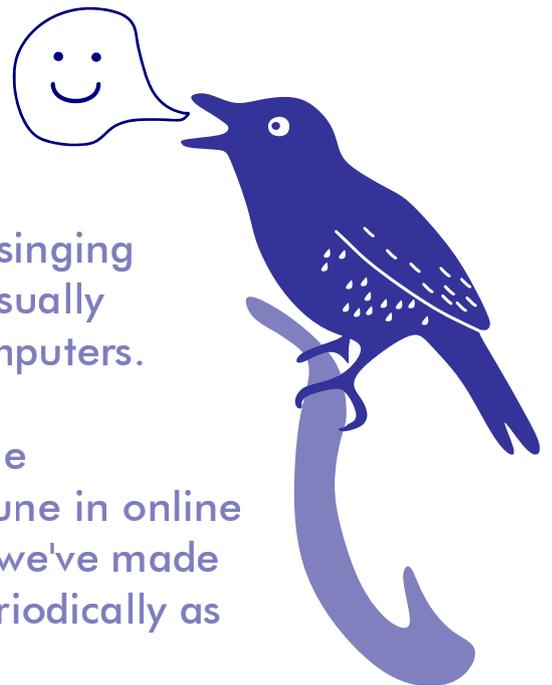
COPY A BIRD'S SONG

If you are in Great Linford Manor Park, visit artwork  LISTEN. What you can hear there?

If not, listen to the sounds around you in your outdoor space. You might be able to hear some bird calls or songs.

Try to copy a bird's call or song. You could try whistling or singing it.

JOIN IN ONLINE!



Make a recording of yourself whistling or singing the bird song and send it to us. You can usually record quite easily on most phones or computers.

We'll edit the sounds together to create the Great Linford Dawn Chorus! People can tune in online and listen to the soundscape of bird calls we've made together. We'll update the soundscape periodically as more files are sent in.

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SOUND AROUND YOU

Listen to everything you can hear around you. Imagine a shape for each sound. Try drawing the shapes below.

Examples:



Wind through
the trees



Stone dropping
in a pool



A twig snapping

**Draw
yours
here:**

Make a pattern or story using your bank of sound shapes.



LOOK UP

What can you see when you look up?

Try it now! It's a new way of looking at the world!

Can you make a picture or a poem or a story about what you can see?

Have a go in the space below!

LOOK DOWN

What is underneath your feet?

Imagine there is a hole in the ground or that the floor is transparent!

What can you see?

Make a picture, poem or story about it in the space below!



FORAGE PAINTS

Painting is fun! Foraging for unusual things to paint with is even more fun! Go on a hunt in the park, in the garden or around the house to find different materials to use as paint. Fill the grid below with your found colours (we've given you a few suggestions underneath) then use your new paint set to make a picture on the next page!

MUD

BEETROOT JUICE

COFFEE

SPICES

BERRIES

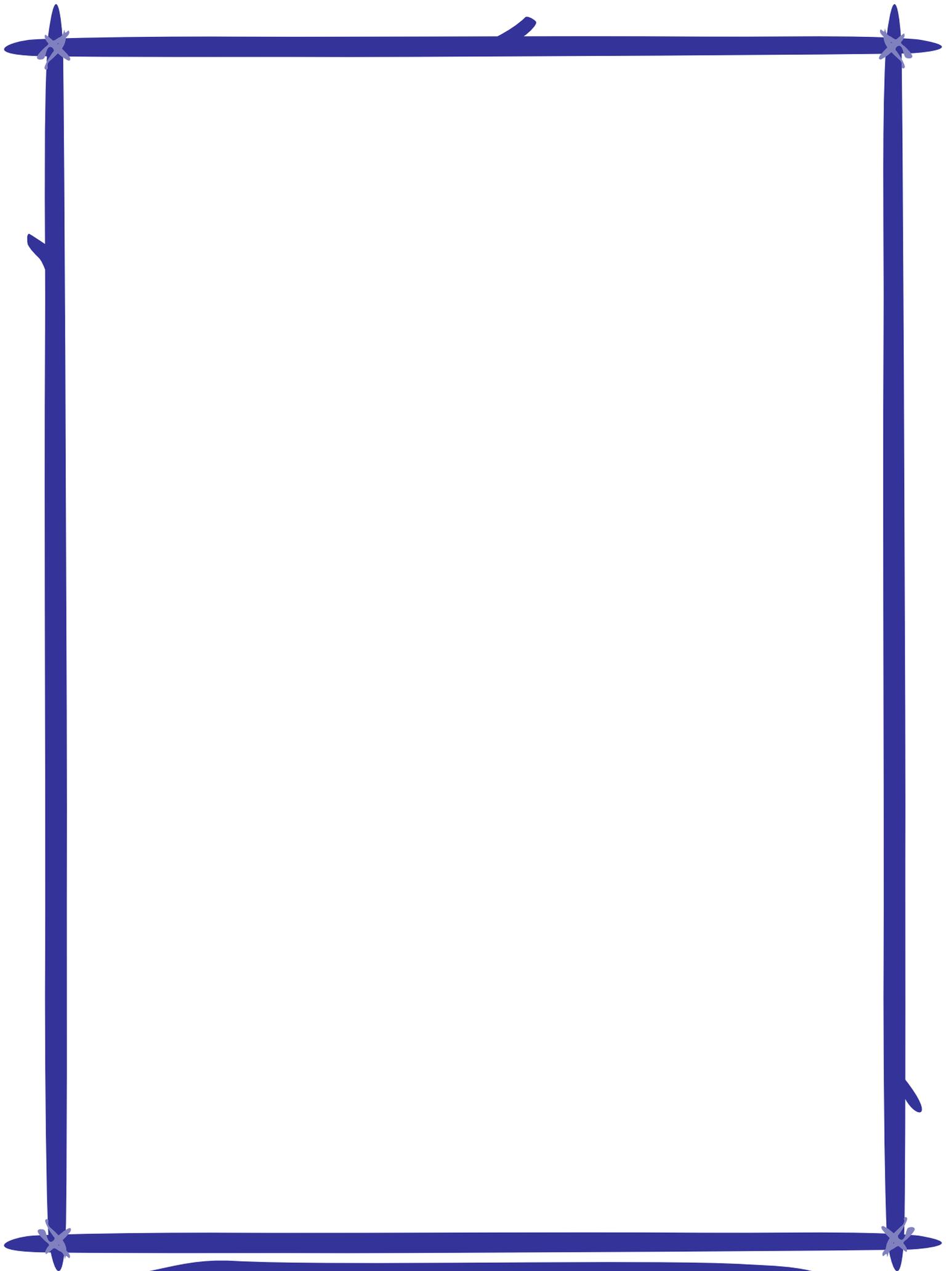
KETCHUP

TOOTHPASTE



If you don't have a paintbrush you could use a stick. A jar of water is useful for washing your brush.





MY FORAGED PAINT MASTERPIECE!

JOIN IN ONLINE!



Some of these activities have parts you can join in with online, where you can combine what you've made with things other people have made to make a collaborative artwork. Look for where it says **JOIN IN ONLINE!**

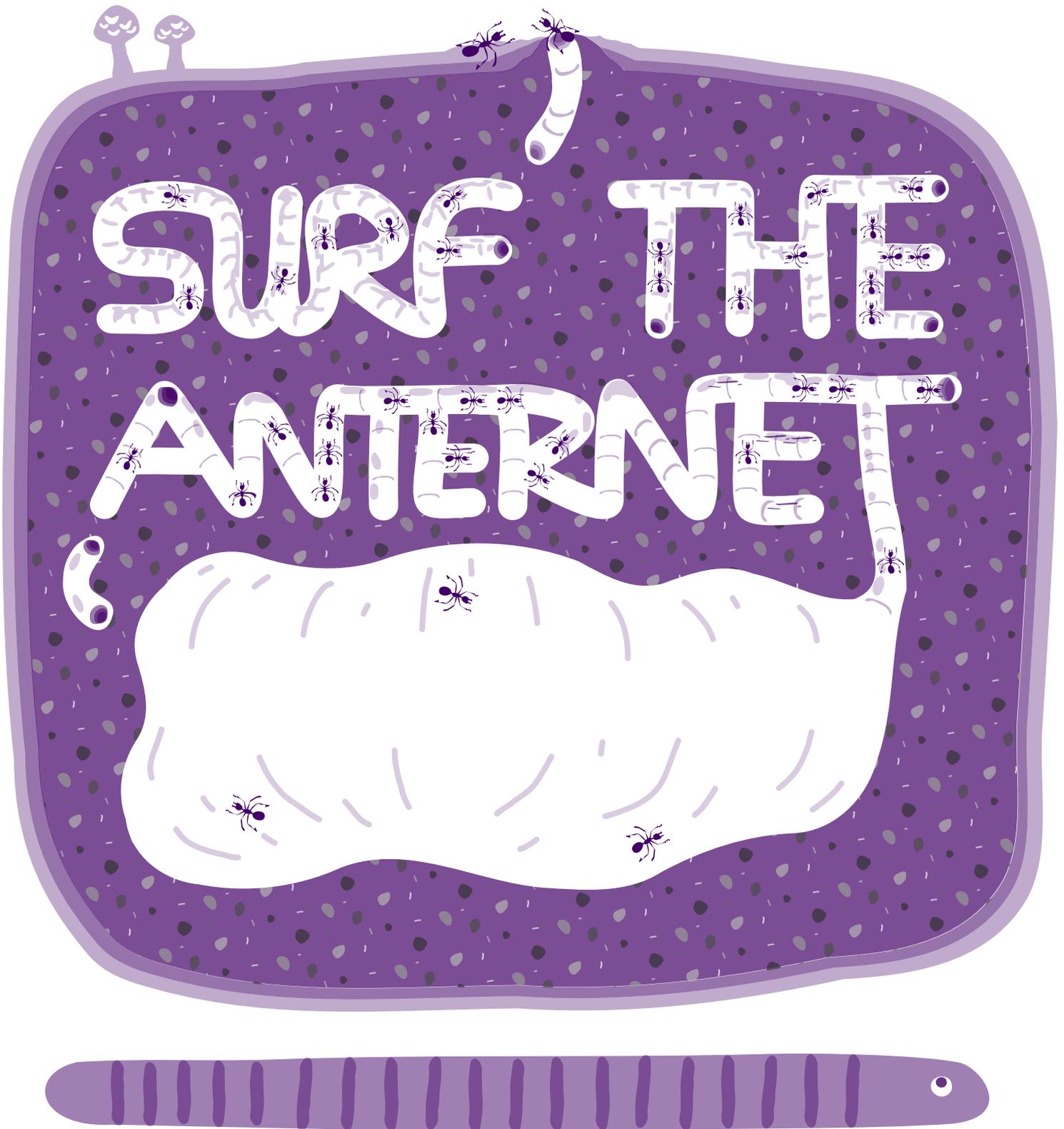
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and add your contribution to the bird song soundscape and the nature messages fanzine!



The ants have been gathering things they like from above ground. What have they collected in their nest?



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