

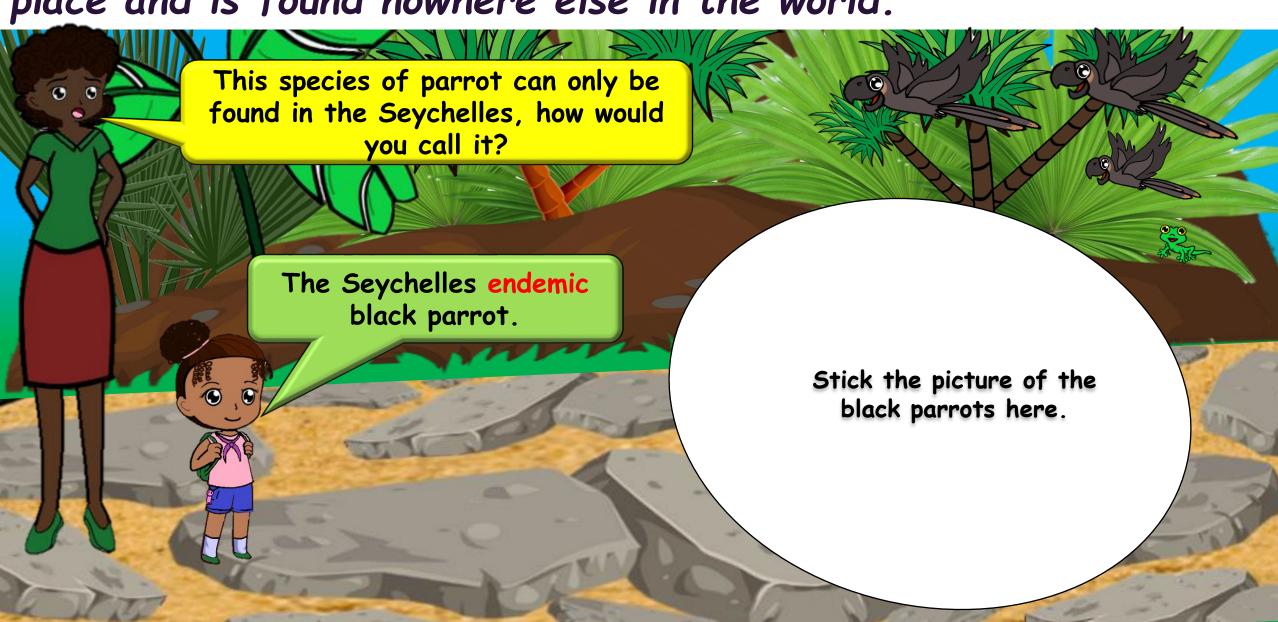
Miss Maria works at the Vallée de Mai's education center. She is the perfect guide for a forest expedition.

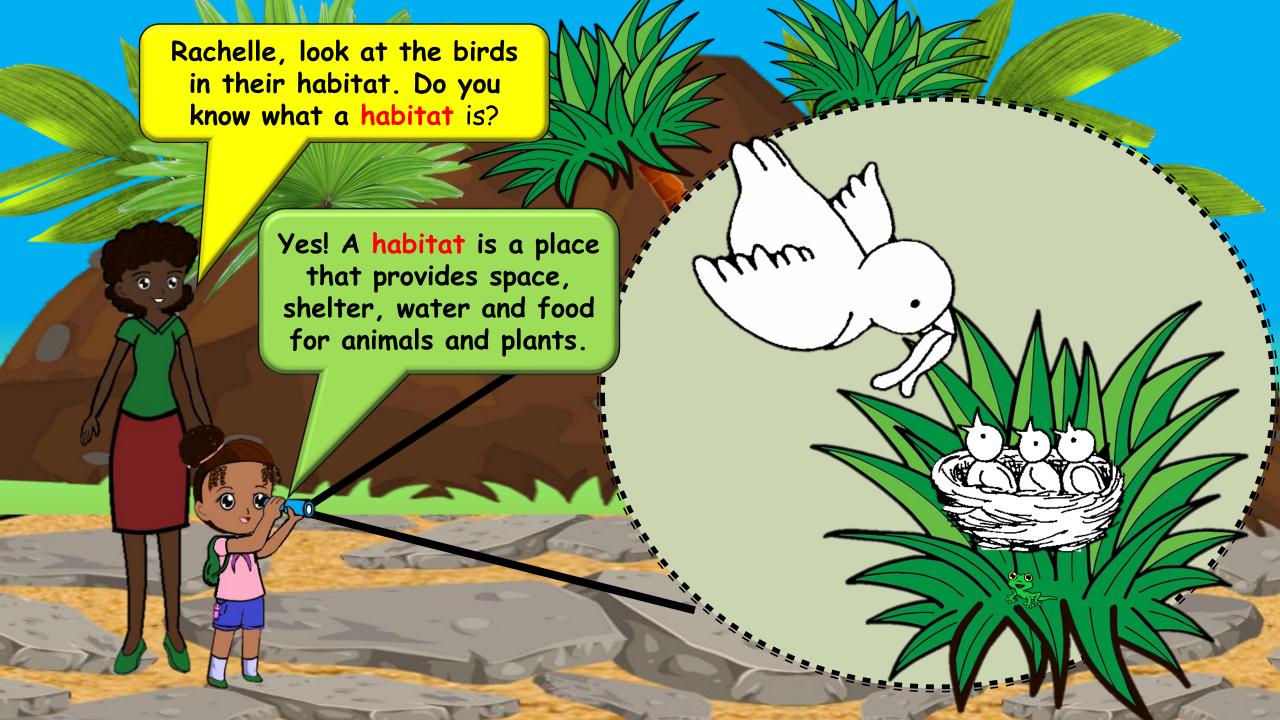


When entering the forest, they hear some sounds high up above in the trees. "Ouh, ouh, ouh".... What could this be?



Endemic means that an animal or plant lives in a particular place and is found nowhere else in the world.





### Connect each animal with its habitat.

### Draw an animal and its habitat.





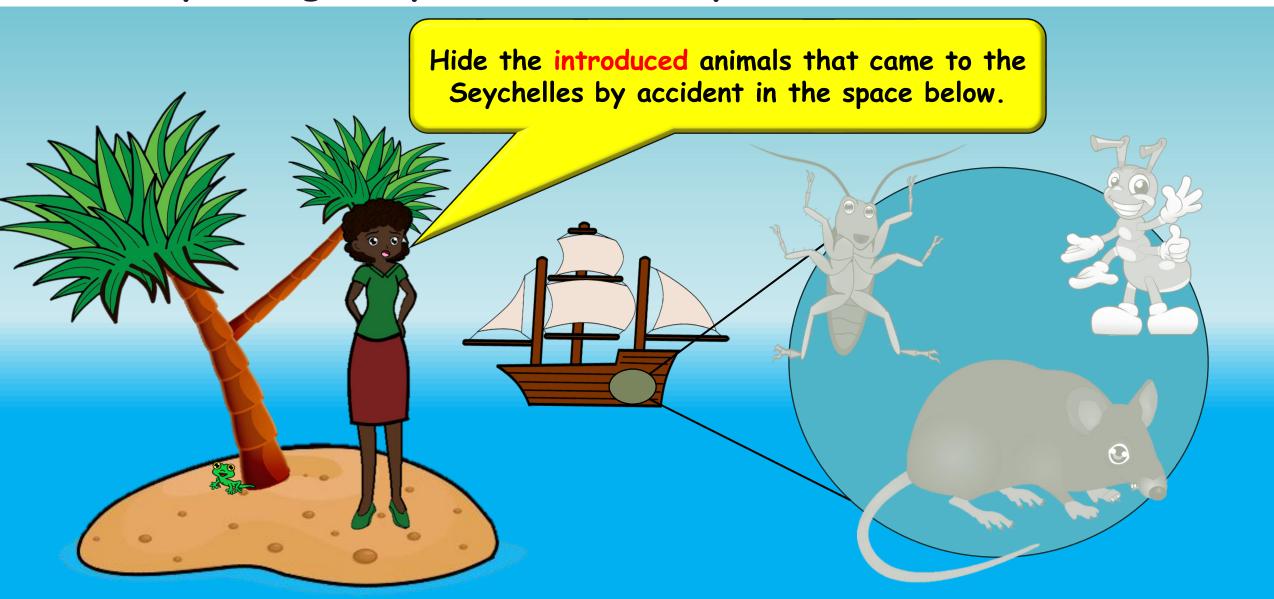
Further into the forest they meet a group of tenrecs playing amongst the leaf litter.



Humans have introduced some animals to the Seychelles on purpose to be kept as pets, like cats and dogs.



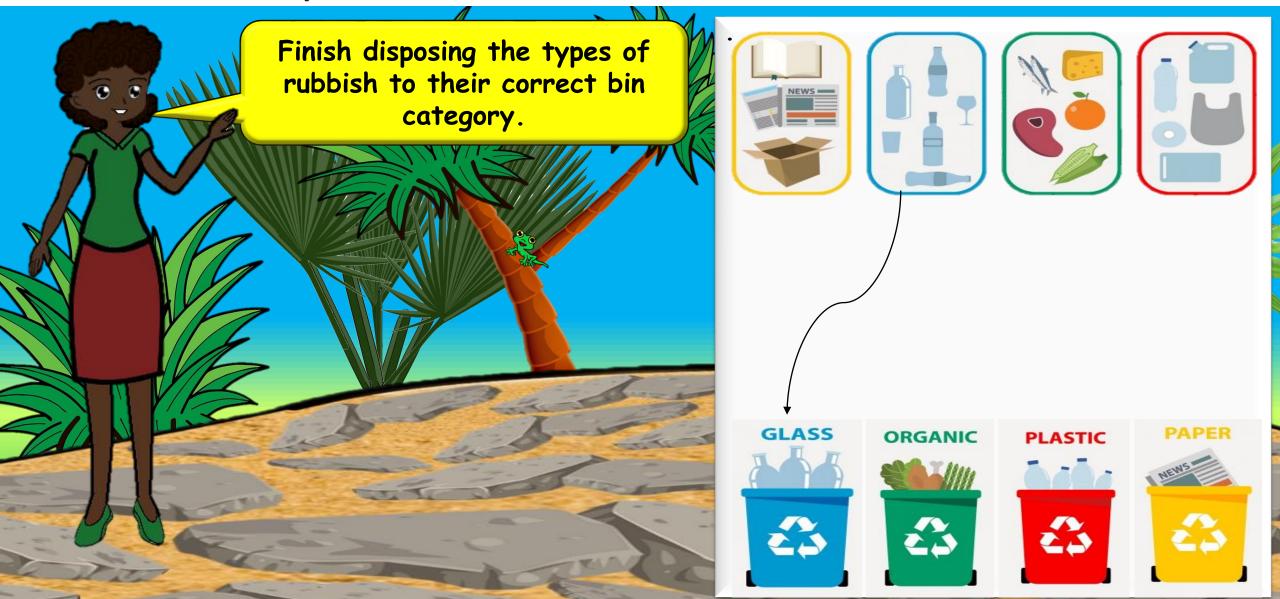
Some introduced animals like rats and yellow crazy ants were accidently brought by humans to Seychelles.



Introduced animals can harm and hurt endemic wildlife. They are attracted by our rubbish which can be food and shelter for them.



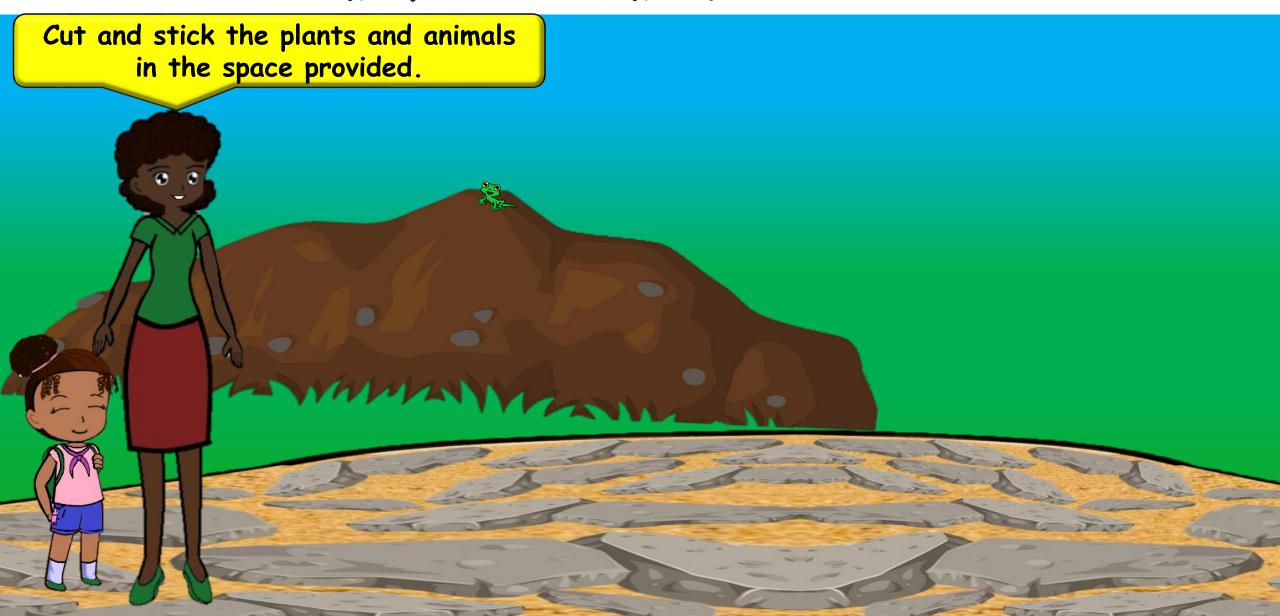
Therefore, to prevent introduced animals from causing more trouble do not pollute the environment.



Oh no! The forest is all gone, there must have been a forest fire.



To fix this problem we can plant endemic trees to provide habitat and a home for the animals.



## Humans use wood for buildings and to make paper.

Look, you can recycle paper into a plane Make sure your paper does not end up in the environment.

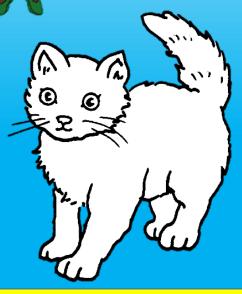
The sun is setting, it is time for our friends to go back home.



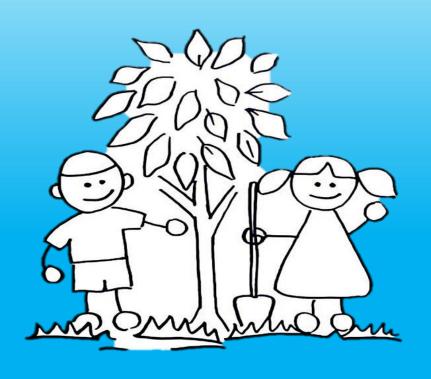




How we can improve protection of the Seychelles' endemic wildlife.

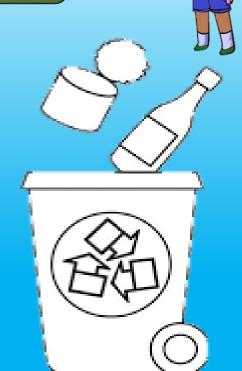


Do not introduce animals in the forest.

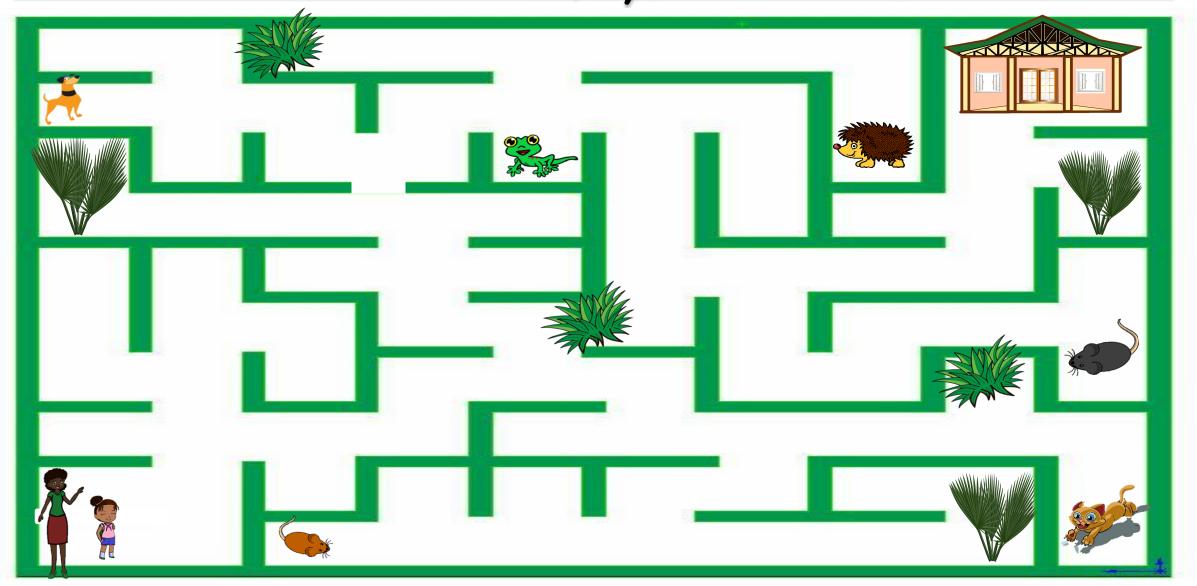


Help plant and protect the endemic plants.





## Help Rachelle and Miss Maria reach the Vallée de Mai safely.











# Vallée de Mai Having fun learning with wildlife



The Seychelles Islands Foundation (SIF) is a non-profit charitable organisation that was established as a public trust by the government of Seychelles in 1979. SIF manages and protects the UNESCO World Heritage Sites of Aldabra Atoll and the Vallée de Mai and has the President of Seychelles as Patron. With this book, children will learn the different ways we can protect Seychelles' endemic wildlife accompanying two friendly and knowledgeable characters: Rachelle and Miss Maria.

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