

# Get a Jump on the Future

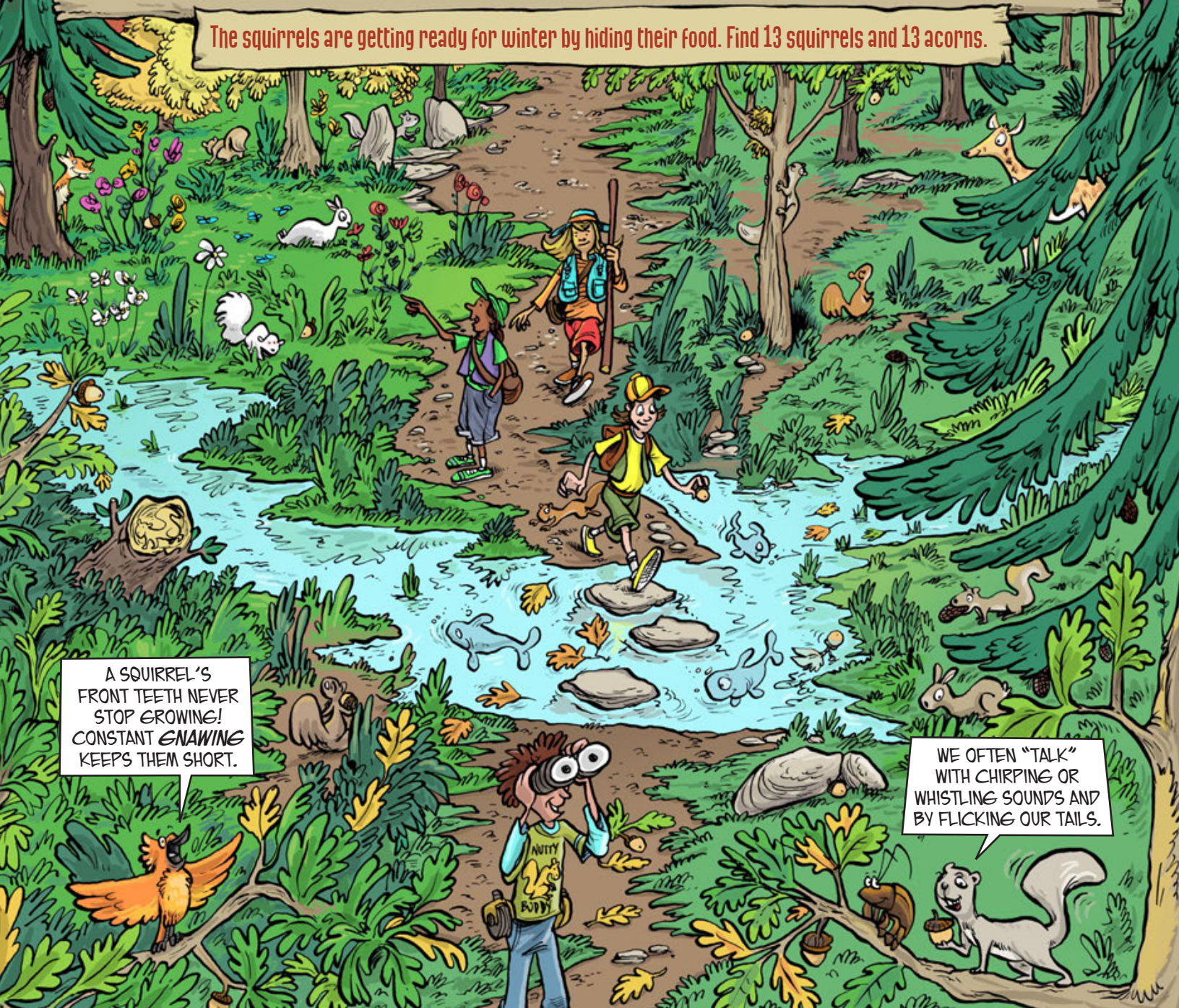
**B**usy squirrels are fun to watch. A squirrel with an acorn in her mouth scurries around, looking left and right. If no one is watching, she buries it to save it for the winter. Some squirrels store food in one place. Others bury thousands of seeds or nuts over a large area. Amazingly, they can find most of their hidden nuts when needed. Those forgotten grow into new trees.

We can learn from squirrels about planning for the future. What are your goals? What are the most

important things for you to accomplish? List them, then spend time working on them. For example, if you want to be a great guitar player, schedule time for practice. Track your progress on a calendar or chart. If your dream is to attend soccer camp next summer, start saving money now.

Planning, like squirreling away acorns, takes time and determination. But you'll be glad you're prepared when you have a tough nut to crack.

The squirrels are getting ready for winter by hiding their food. Find 13 squirrels and 13 acorns.



A SQUIRREL'S FRONT TEETH NEVER STOP GROWING! CONSTANT GNAWING KEEPS THEM SHORT.

WE OFTEN "TALK" WITH CHIRPING OR WHISTLING SOUNDS AND BY FLICKING OUR TAILS.