

From fields to forests

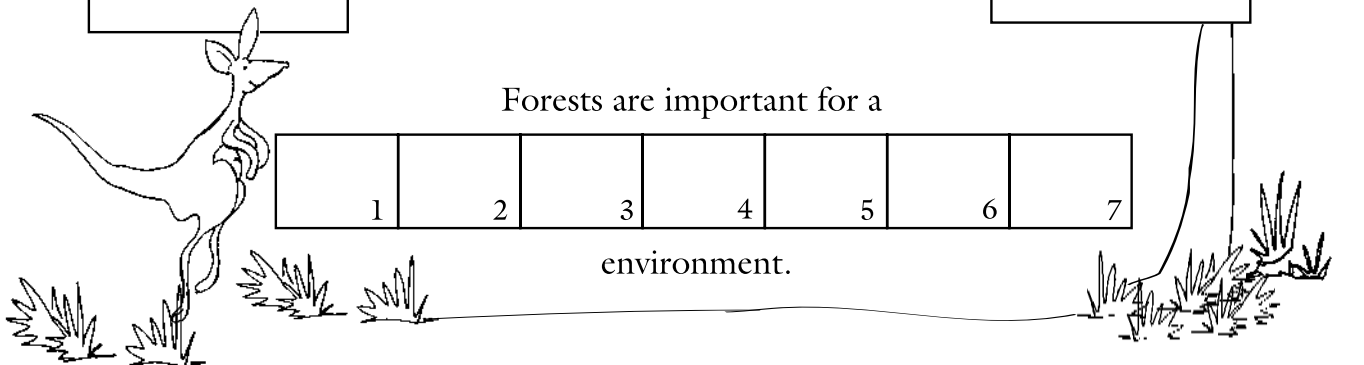
Eucalypt and pine forests are being planted by Forests NSW on land that was once cleared for farming. Planted forests do much more than provide the timber needed by people. To find out why planted forests are important, join the dot next to each description on the left to the dot next to the matching phrase on the right. Each line will pass through the middle of a letter and a number. Write the letter in the numbered square below to solve the puzzle.

A RANGE OF NATIVE ANIMALS & PLANTS	•								•	PROVIDES HOMES
PLACES TO LIVE	•		1		2				•	CLEANS THE WATER
REMOVES CARBON DIOXIDE FROM THE AIR	•		3					7	•	LINKS HABITATS
ROOTS HOLD THE SOIL IN PLACE	•							T	•	CLEANS THE AIR
ANIMALS CAN MOVE FROM ONE FORESTED AREA TO ANOTHER	•				5			A	•	REDUCES DRYLAND SALINITY
THE TREES DRAW UP WATER FROM UNDERGROUND	•		L					H	•	BIODIVERSITY
WATER TRICKLES THROUGH THE FOREST INTO CREEKS	•							6	•	STOPS SOIL EROSION
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environment.



Discover six planted forest features in the picture below. Colour the picture, paste it onto cardboard, then cut it into six interesting shapes to make a jig saw puzzle.



Illustration by Kerry Cooper

Why do you think planted forests are important?