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## Small Mammal Habitat Investigation

Your challenge is to find a good nesting site in one of the school habitats for a wood mouse. You will need to test out the site to make sure it will allow the wood mouse to stay warm, before a real mouse is allowed to set up its home there.

### Step 1

Brainstorm what features you think a wood mouse might need in its nesting site to stay warm and safe.



## Step 2

Use your list to agree the best place on the school site for your wood mouse to make its nest and mark it on the aerial photograph.

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Why have you chosen this spot?

## Step 3

Plan an investigation to test out your mouse nesting site to check that it will help keep your mouse warm.

### **You have:**

- A small bottle with a lid to represent a mouse
- Warm water
- Thermometer
- Classroom clock
- Metre stick
- Scissors

Tick the equipment that would be useful for your investigation



<b>What will you do?</b>	<b>What will you measure?</b>
<b>How will you know whether your nesting site is better at keeping your mouse warm than staying out in the open?</b>	<b>How will you record your results?</b>
<b>What do you think will happen? Why?</b>	