

Chapter 2:

Picky Eaters



*A monarch butterfly
lays a white egg from
the end of her body.*

Could you eat the same food for every meal? Human babies do. Babies drink their

mothers' milk. Milk has all that babies need to live and grow.

Some animals eat mostly one kind of food all their lives. Without it, they would die.

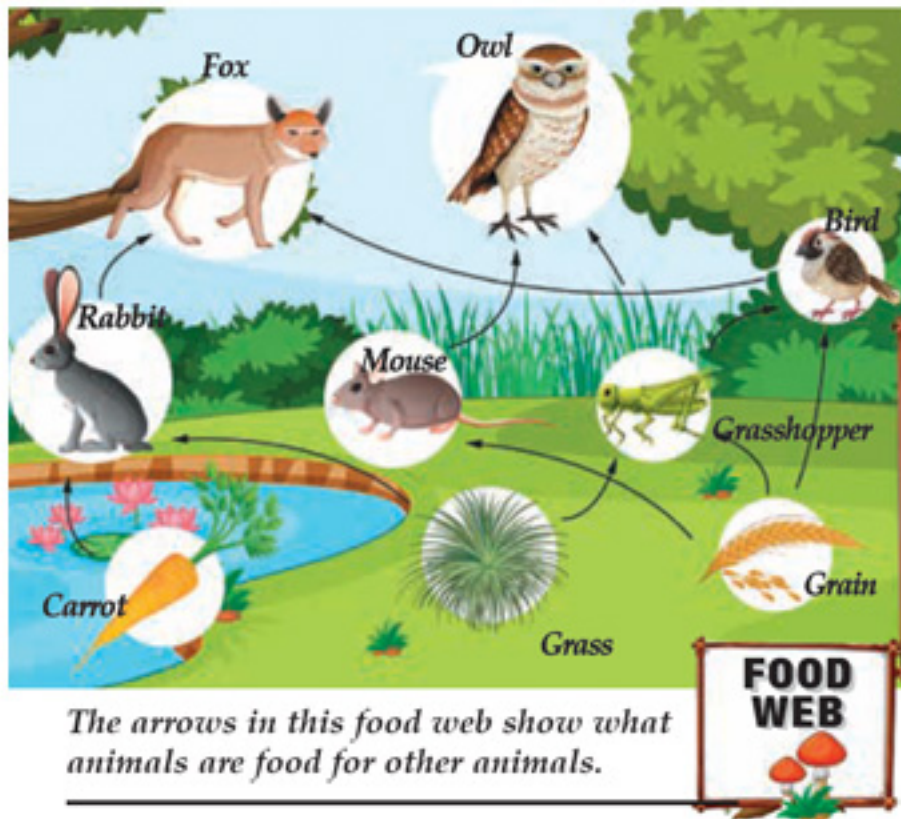
Let's meet a few of these animals.

Caterpillar Food

The monarch (MAH•nark) butterfly needs milkweed. The female looks for this plant.

Milkweed has big, wide leaves. They are a perfect spot for her to lay eggs. She sticks her eggs to the leaves.

Soon the eggs hatch. Very small caterpillars crawl out. They start eating the leaves. Milkweed is all they eat.



The arrows in this food web show what animals are food for other animals.

Scavengers are cleaning crews for the world. Think what our world would look like without these crews. We would be up to our ears in dead things! So scavengers help the world.