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Treetop Chick

It's early evening in a cool, quiet forest.

As the sun sets, a fluffy gray face peeks out from a broken tree trunk.

It's a northern spotted owl chick, and the broken tree is its home.

The baby bird's parents are away hunting in the forest.

Soon they will return with food for their hungry chick.



chick looking
out of nest

broken
tree trunk

A fluffy, light-colored spotted owl chick is perched on a weathered tree trunk. The chick has large, dark eyes and a small beak. The tree bark is rough and textured, with some moss visible. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green.

spotted owl
chick

Northern
spotted owls
live, hunt, and
raise their chicks
in trees.

Spotted Owl Homes

There are three types of spotted owls: northern, California, and Mexican.

All three kinds live in forests where there are many large trees.

The owls usually make their homes in tall **evergreen** trees.

Some of these trees are hundreds of years old.

How do you think the spotted owl got its name?



Some Mexican spotted owls also live in **canyons**. These owls make their homes on rocky ledges.



Mexican spotted owl

rocky ledge

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Spotted Owl

A fluffy face peeks out of an old broken tree trunk in a forest. It belongs to a spotted owl chick. Its parents are out hunting for mice and other small animals. Soon they will return to feed their hungry little chick. Look inside to discover more about the world of spotted owls and their life in the trees.

Flying Lemur

Spotted Owl

Green Tree Python

Tree Frog

Koala

Tree Kangaroo

Spider Monkey

Woodpecker

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