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A Treetop Supper

It is evening in a rain forest.

High in the trees, an animal is climbing from branch to branch.

The furry creature is a tree kangaroo.

All afternoon it has been sleeping in a tree.

Now the hungry animal is searching for its supper.



tree kangaroo Tree kangaroos spend a lot of time in trees. They sleep, look for food, and raise their babies high above the ground.

Describe what a tree kangaroo looks like to a friend who has never seen one before.

Where Do Tree Kangaroos Live?

- There are 11 different kinds of tree kangaroos.
- They all live in rain forests.
- One kind is called the Goodfellow's tree kangaroo.
- It lives on the island of New Guinea (NOO GIN-ee).



Tree kangaroos don't build nests or homes in trees. When it's time to sleep, the animal finds a comfortable place to sit on a branch. Then it simply dozes off.

Goodfellow's tree kangaroo



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Tree Kangaroo

It is evening in a rain forest. High in a tree, a creature with a long tail is climbing from branch to branch. The furry animal is a tree kangaroo, and it is searching for plants to feed on. Look inside to discover more about the leafy world of tree kangaroos and their treetop homes.

Flying Lemur Spotted Owl Green Tree Python

Tree Frog

Koala

Tree Kangaroo

Spider Monkey Woodpecker



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