



**Chatty**: (adjective) Talkative or inclined to chat. Example: Chestnut, the chatty brown squirrel, loved accompanying Maya on her adventures.



**Thrill**: (noun) The exciting feeling Chestnut got when it started to rain. Think about riding a roller coaster with your hair ying in the wind – that's a thrill!



**Earthy scent**: (noun) The fresh smell after a rainstorm. It's like the smell of wet soil and leaves mixed together. Can you close your eyes and imagine that earthy scent?



**Plop**: (verb) The sound the rst raindrops made when they fell on Maya's nose. Imagine dropping a pebble into a puddle – that's a plop!



**Tumble**: (verb) What the raindrops do when they get too heavy and fall back to earth. Imagine bouncing a ball and watching it come back down – that's tumbling!



**Grateful**: (adjective) How Maya felt for the rain that brought life and joy to her village. Imagine being thankful for a delicious birthday cake – that's being grateful!



**Downpour**: (noun) A heavy rainstorm with a signi cant amount of rainfall in a short period. Example: Maya loved the earthy scent that followed a downpour.