

# Max and the Forest Market Mystery

*Learning objective: To identify and use nouns and verbs accurately within sentences.*

Read the story about Max the monkey below. Underline all the nouns in blue and circle all the verbs in red. Then, complete the questions to show what you have learned.

Max the monkey visited the busy forest market. He saw many colourful stalls filled with fresh fruit. Max wanted to buy a golden banana for his snack. He skipped to the shop and grabbed a woven basket. He watched the animals trade their goods. Max felt happy because he solved the puzzle of finding the best price for his lunch.

*Word bank: banana · market · monkey · swing · jump · basket · collect · stalls · hustle · fruit*

**1. Find two common nouns from the passage that refer to places. (2 marks)**

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**2. Identify three verbs in the passage that describe what Max is doing. (3 marks)**

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**3. Choose one noun from the word bank and write a sentence using it. Make sure your sentence also includes a verb. (2 marks)**

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**4. If Max bought a banana for 40p and a mango for 50p, what is the total cost in pounds and pence? (2 marks)**

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**5. Explain why 'Max' is a proper noun, but 'monkey' is a common noun. (2 marks)**

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**Draw:** Draw Max the monkey standing at a market stall. Add labels to your drawing using a noun for an object he sees and a verb to describe what he is doing.



*Extension challenge: Write a short paragraph about an adventure in the forest. Challenge yourself to include at least five nouns and five verbs, then underline them in different colours.*