# Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Animal Athletes

## Word Challenge

The word 'spider' starts with the letter 's' and ends with the letter 'r'.

List some other words that start and end with these letters.

## Grammar Challenge

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Write a sentence about a spider monkey that includes a simile and starts in the following way:

Like a ...

**Example:** Like a magician's disappearing act, the monkey vanished into the thick foliage.

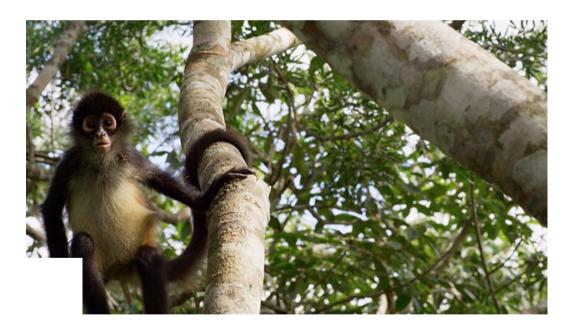
**Challenge:** Write a follow-on sentence that is in the passive voice.

#### Did You Know?

Found in the tropical rainforests of Central and South America, stretching from Mexico to Bolivia, the acrobatic spider monkey can move effortlessly from tree to tree. Its long tail is capable of grasping and can support the primate's full body weight, freeing its hands so that it can climb, forage and eat. This remarkable adaptation allows the spider monkey to navigate the dense canopy with agility and precision.

Where in the world is Bolivia? Click the





Credit: BBC One - Planet Earth II

## Number Challenge

Sophie the spider monkey had a tail that was 1.5 times the length of her bodu.

If Sophie's body length was 0.54 m, how long was her tail in centimetres?

## Critical Thinking

What do you consider to be the main similarities between a spider and a spider monkey?