Morning Starters: Autumn 1 - Nature's Builders

Word Challenge

The word 'dam' is interesting because it spells a different word when written backwards.

Example:

 $dam \rightarrow mad$

List some other words that can be reversed.

Grammar Challenge

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Copy and complete the following list sentence with three verbs.

The beaver was hard at work:

Challenge: Write a follow-on sentence that includes a relative clause.

Did You Know?

Beavers are a species of rodent that are famous for building impressive structures from wood that include dams and lodges. They use their oversized teeth (hardened with iron) to gnaw effortlessly through tree trunks. Beavers are being reintroduced to counties across the UK after 400 years of extinction. Their ability to shape the environment around them can support other animals and reduce the risk of floods.



Credit: BBC Two-Springwatch

Number Challenge

- A prehistoric beaver measured around 2.25 m in length.
- A modern beaver measures around 175 cm in length.

What is the difference in length between a prehistoric and a modern beaver?

Critical Thinking

When did you make something that you were really proud of?

(Explain what it was and why you were so proud.)