How seeds travel

Plants make seeds to grow new plants. But seeds can't all grow in the same place. If too many seeds grow together, they will fight for light, space, and water. That means they may not grow strong.

Seeds need to move away from the parent plant. This is called seed dispersal.

Some seeds fall near the plant. But many use clever ways to travel further.

Some seeds use the wind. Dandelion seeds have tiny hairs that help them float. Sycamore seeds spin like little helicopters when they fall.

Some seeds stick to animals' fur. Burrs are rough and spiky, so they get carried away on a passing animal!

Some seeds are eaten by birds or animals. They pass through the animal's body and land in a new place.

Seeds that travel further have more chance of finding a good place to grow.



Questions

- What do seeds need to grow well?
 Seeds need...
- 2. Why can't all seeds grow close together?
 - Seeds can't all grow close because...
- 3. How do dandelion seeds travel?They travel by...
- 4. What is special about burrs?They...
- 5. Why is it good for a seed to land far away?
 - It helps the seed...