



April is the month of sunshine and showers. Bright green leaves appear on the horse chestnut tree **1**. The tortoiseshell butterfly **2** flutters over lovely violets **3** and tiny forgetmenots **4**. Even the common dandelions **5** look pretty! In the stream, the mallard family **6** swim past marsh-marigolds (or king-cups) **7** and the nest of a moorhen **8**. Further up the stream, the mute

swan **9** is watching the cleaning-up operation. Always have a grown-up with you when you are taking rubbish out of the water **10**. The pied wagtail **11** flies over the little vole, **12** busily washing himself. When observing the wonders of nature, keep as quiet as possible **13** and never disturb anything.