



Social Story

**Today I'm visiting:
Kent Street Weir
in Canning River Regional Park**



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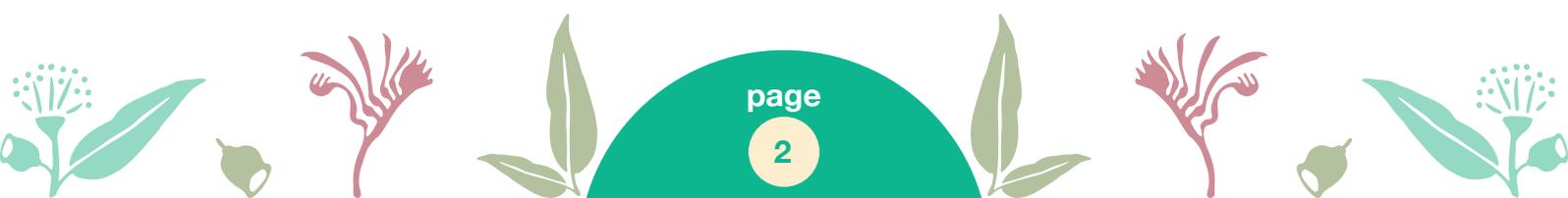
This is a Social Story™ about visiting Kent Street Weir in the Canning River Regional Park.

Social stories help explain social situations to children and adults with autism spectrum disorder, intellectual disability, developmental delays and learning challenges.

A Social Story™ answers the 'wh' questions – where and when a situation occurs, who is involved, what is happening and why. We suggest the Social Story™ be meaningfully shared in a reassuring tone.

This Social Story™ aims to help people of all abilities to plan and prepare for their visit to Kent Street Weir by explaining what they can expect on the day of their visit.

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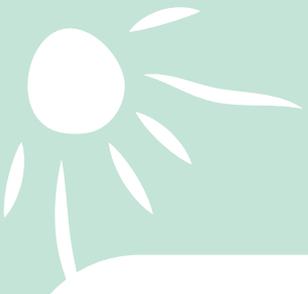




I am going to visit Kent Street Weir on the Canning River, also known as the Djarlgarro Beeliar.

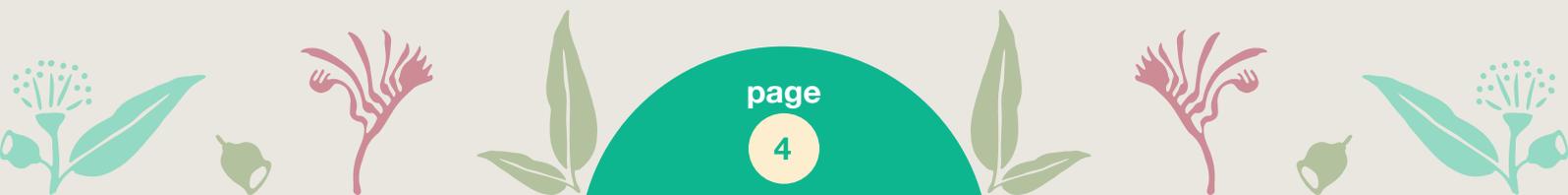
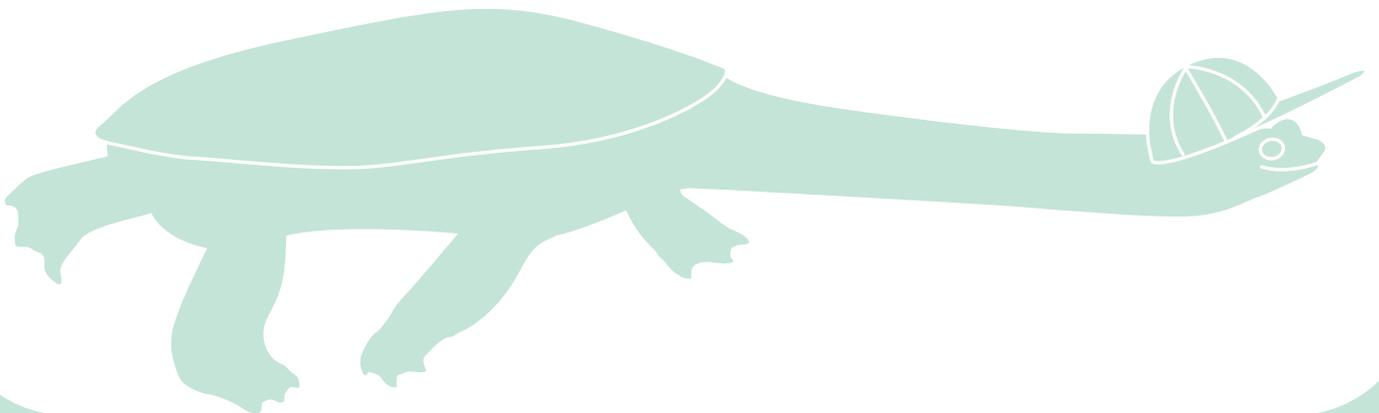
Kent Street Weir is a parkland area with a bridge over the river.





I will need to bring comfortable walking shoes and a jacket on cold days.

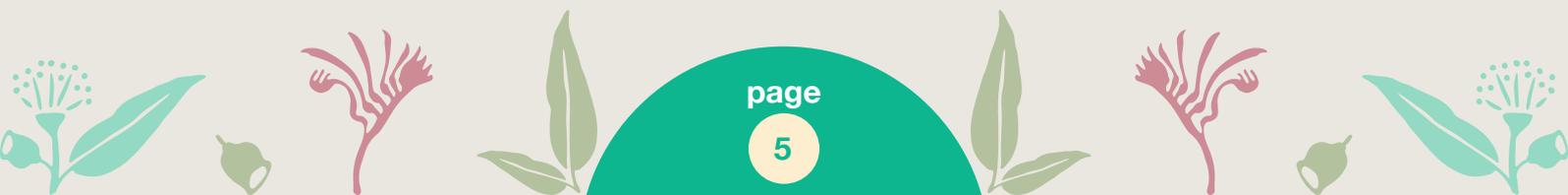
It is important that I bring a hat, water bottle and sunscreen.





There are wetlands, a paperbark forest and tracks with bushland.

There will be signs along the river that tell me all about the animals, the plants and trees around Kent Street Weir.





There are lots of things to do at Kent St Weir.

I might:

- walk over the bridge to one of the walking tracks
- stop at one of the viewing platforms
- see birds like ibises, egrets, ducks, or black swans
- hear motorbike frogs
- hear and see different types of insects like crickets and butterflies.





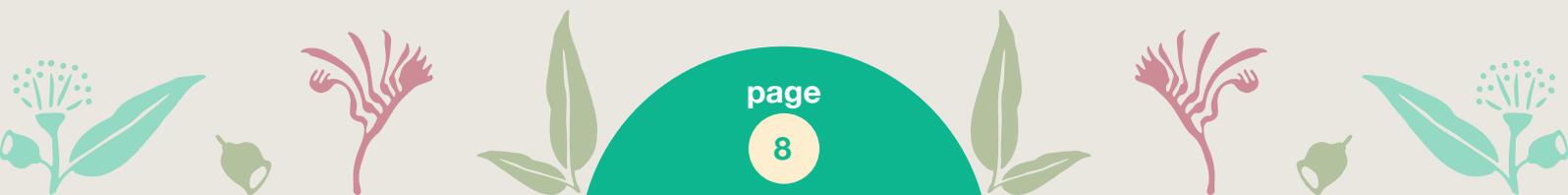
I might see bat boxes in the trees along the tracks.
This is where bats go to sleep during the day.





There are toilets at Kent Street Weir.

My trusted person will be able to show me where they are.



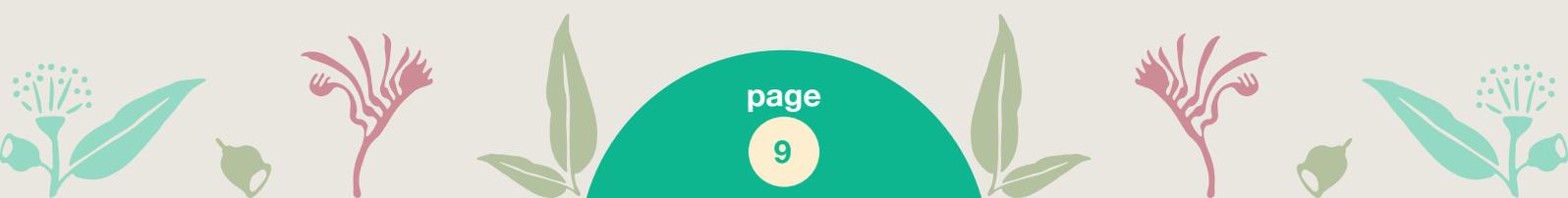
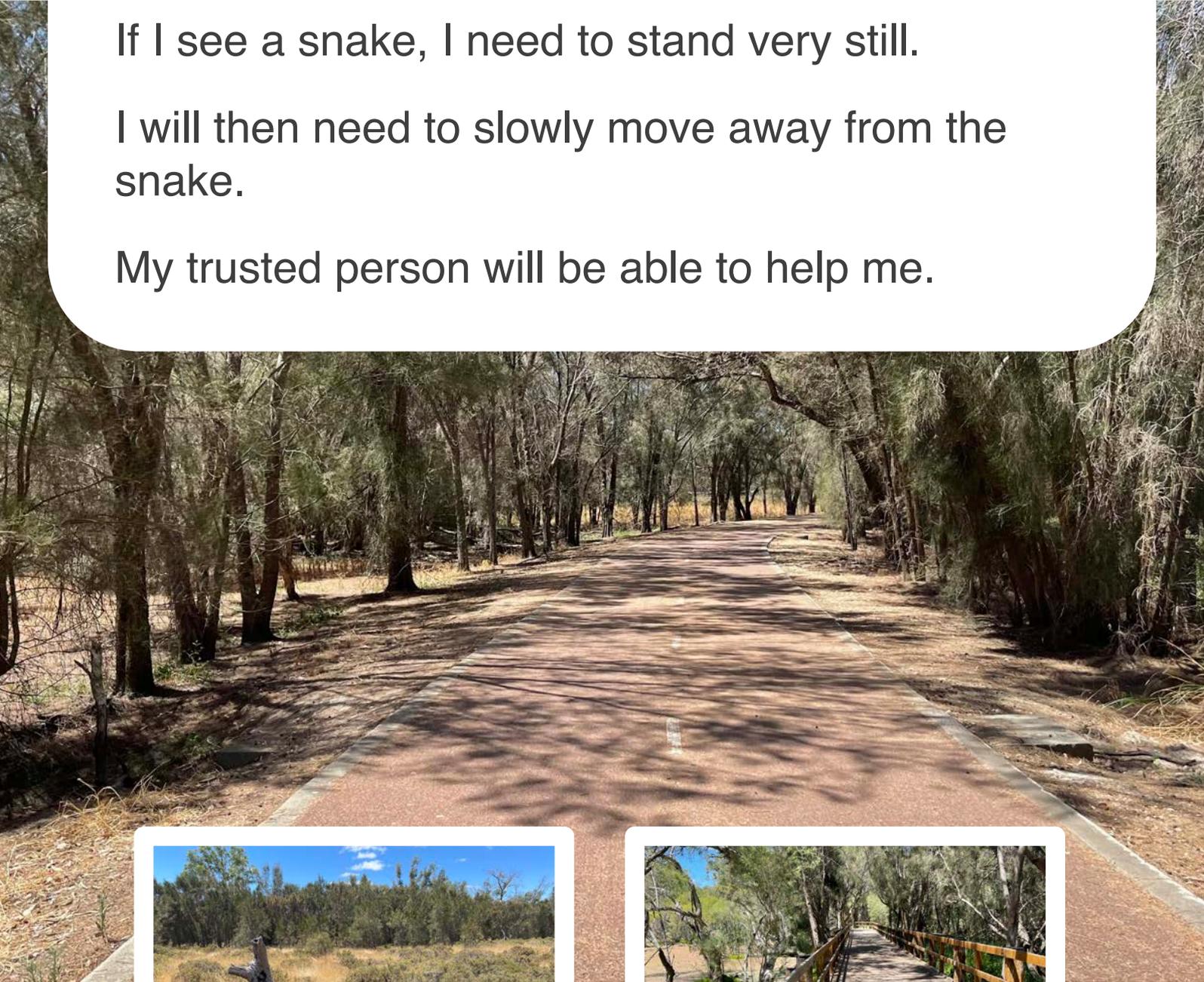


Snakes live around Kent Street Weir.

If I see a snake, I need to stand very still.

I will then need to slowly move away from the snake.

My trusted person will be able to help me.



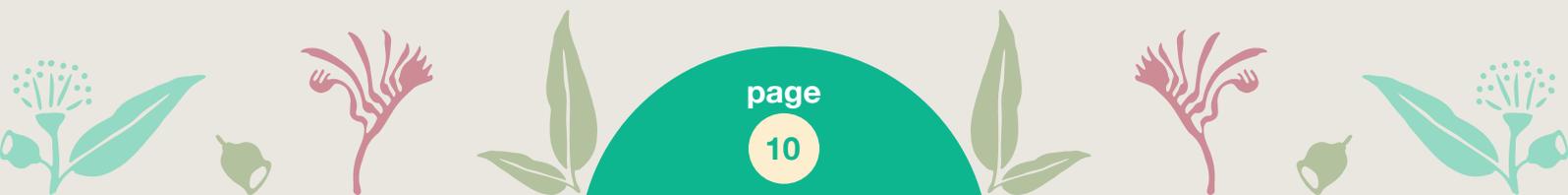
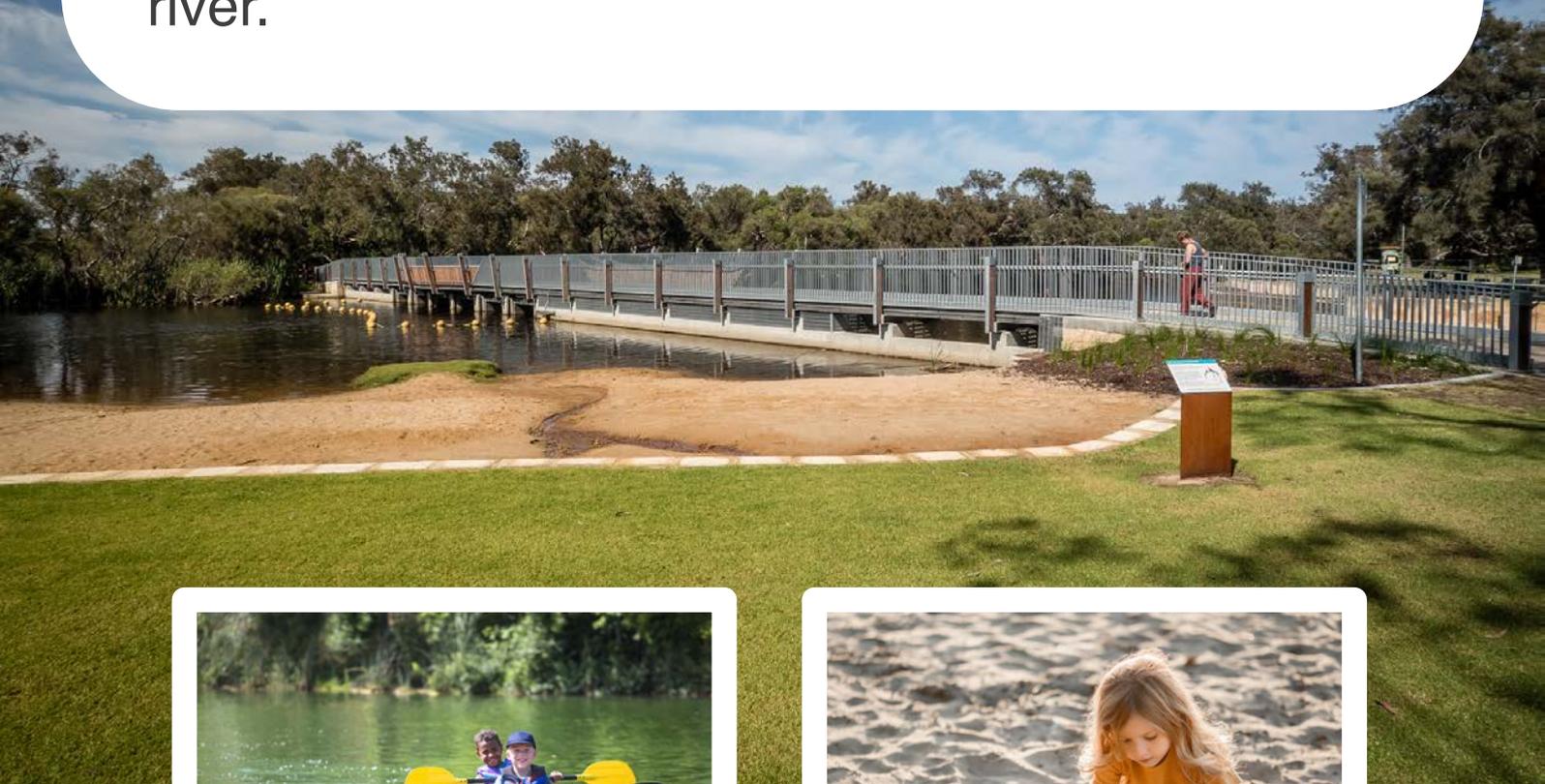


There are also lots of river activities at Kent Street Weir.

I might go fishing on the banks of the Djarlgarro Beeliar (Canning River).

I might go swimming or play in the sand.

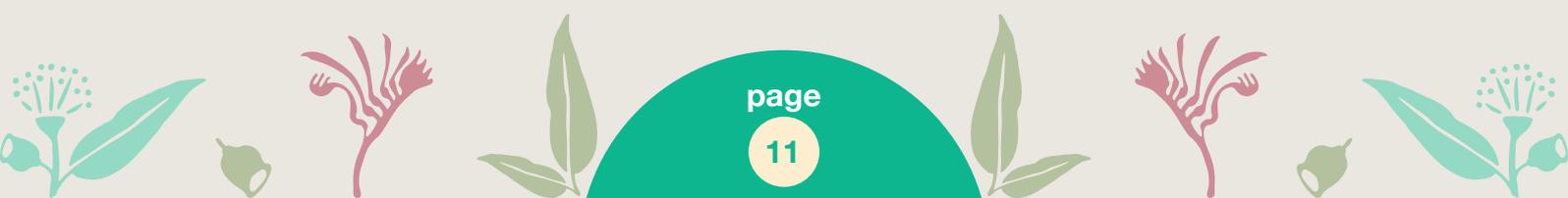
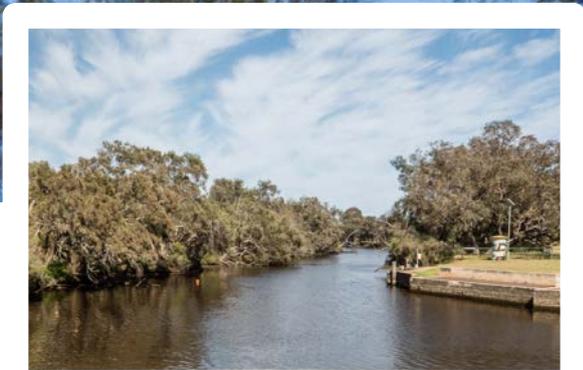
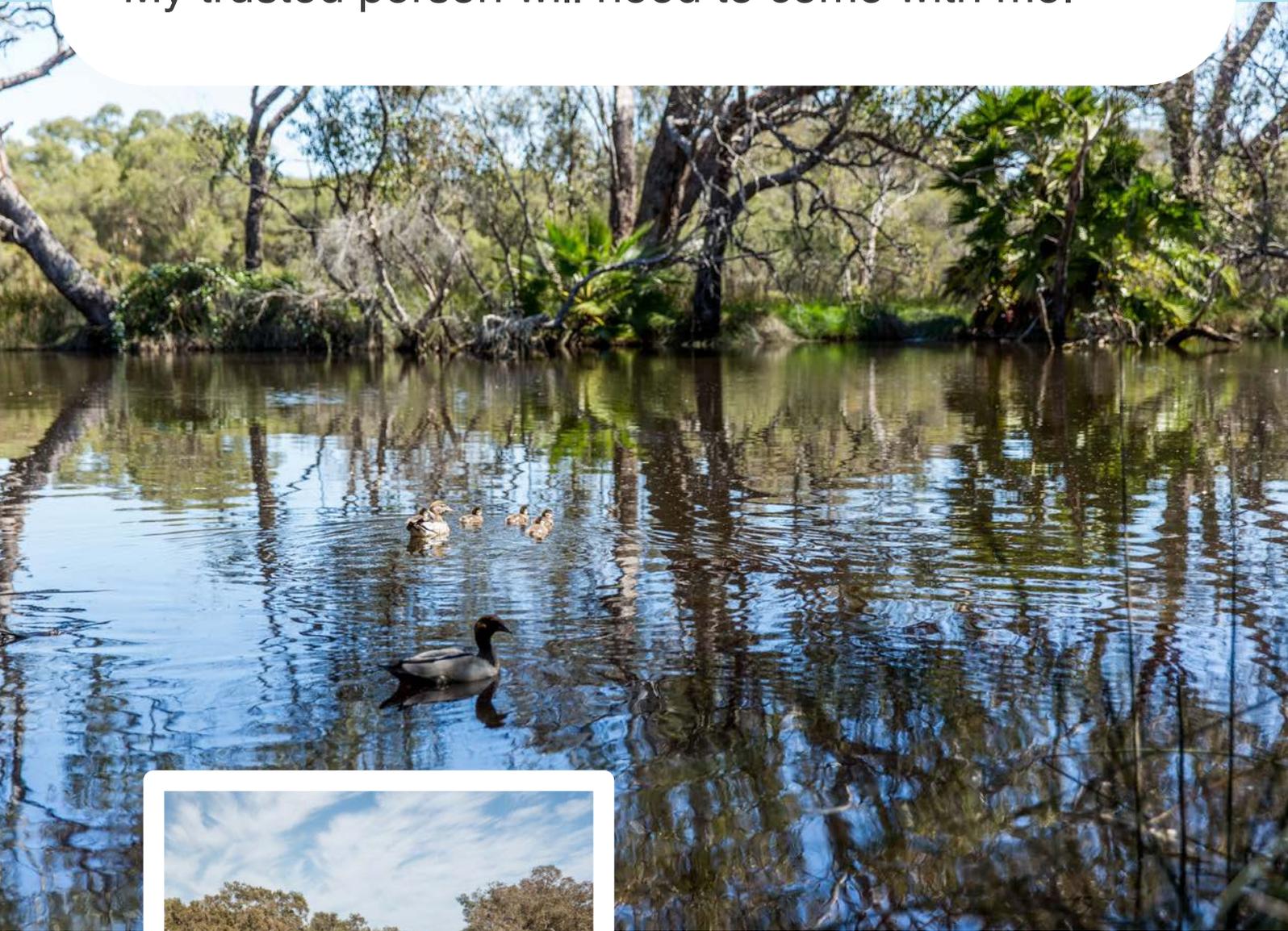
I might go boating, kayaking or canoeing on the river.





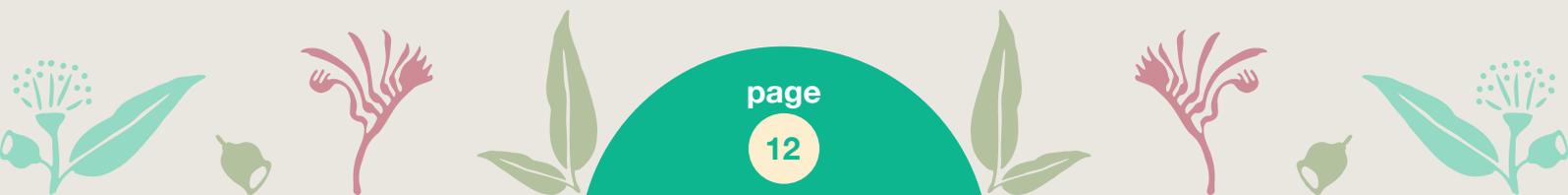
It is important that I ask my trusted person before I go near the water.

My trusted person will need to come with me.





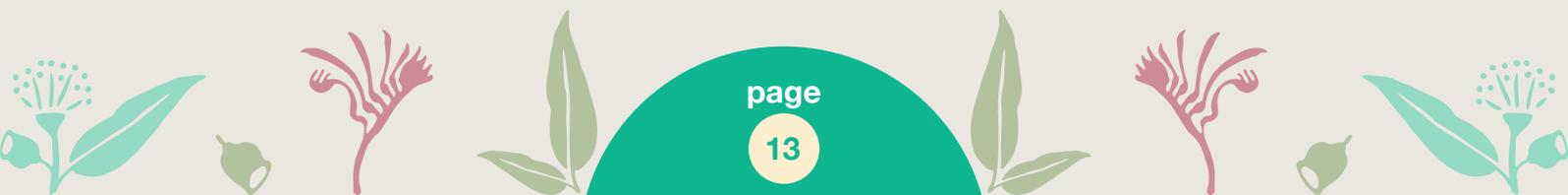
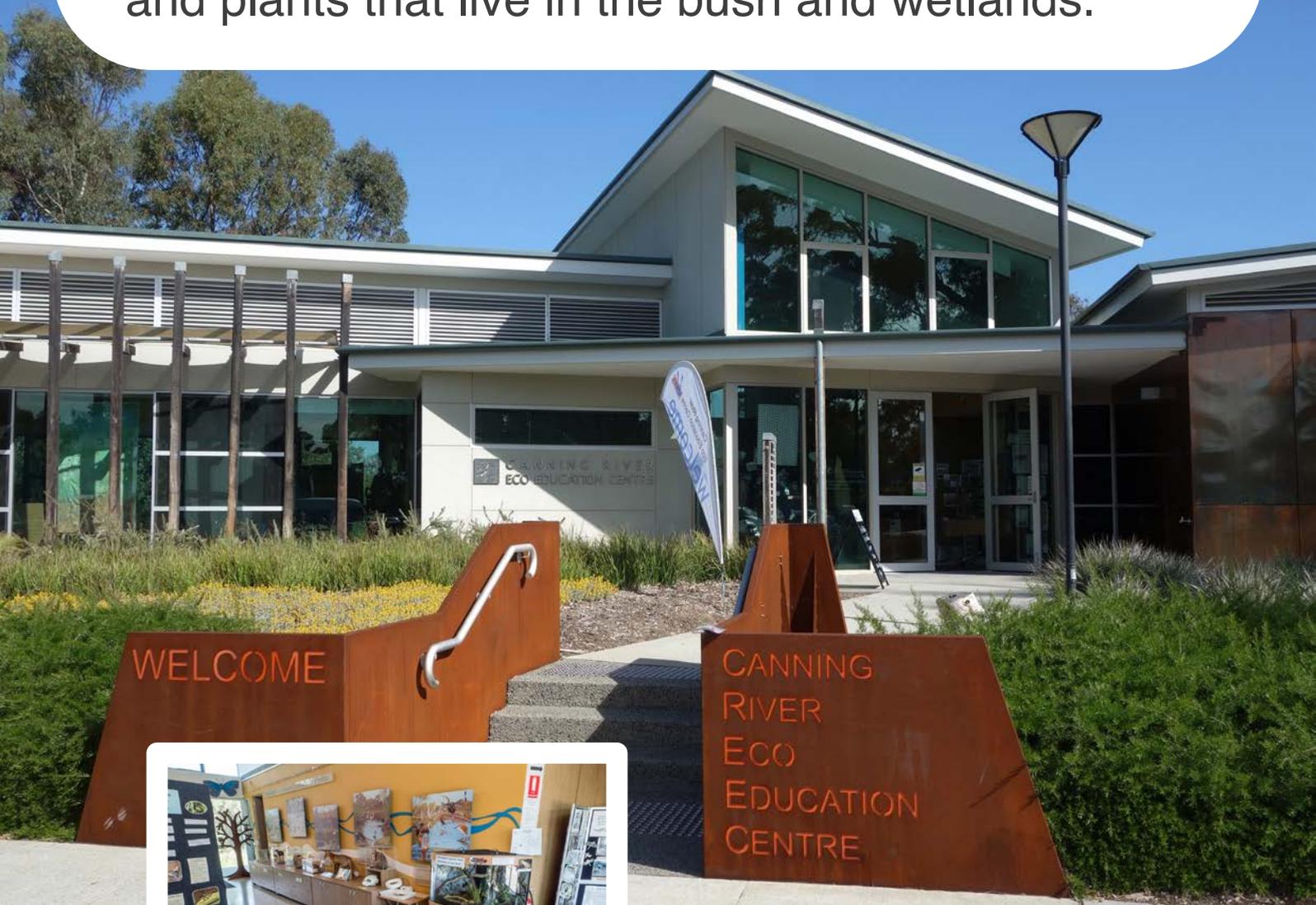
There is a Little Street Library box near the Bridge.
I might want to bring a book to leave there and
find one to take home.





There is an Eco Education Centre that I might want to visit.

This is a place to learn about the birds, animals and plants that live in the bush and wetlands.





There is a playground at Kent Street Weir.

There is also a big grassy area where I can relax or play games.

I might see dogs at Kent Street Weir.

I might take my bike and go to the BMX track.

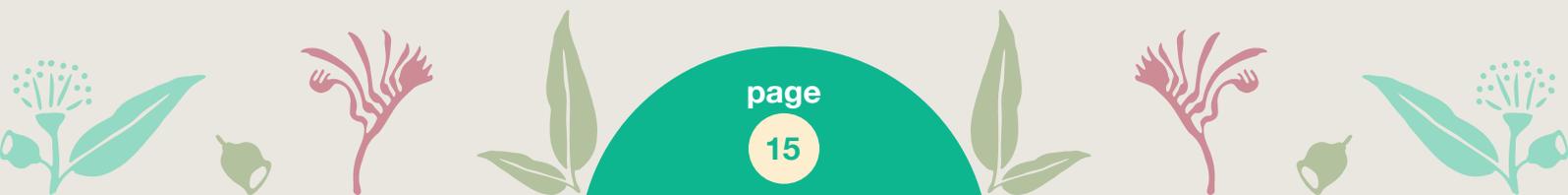




I will need to keep out of the way of other bike riders.

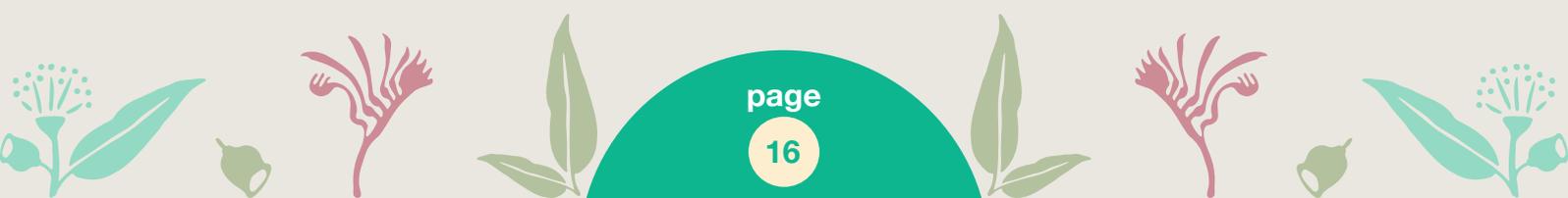
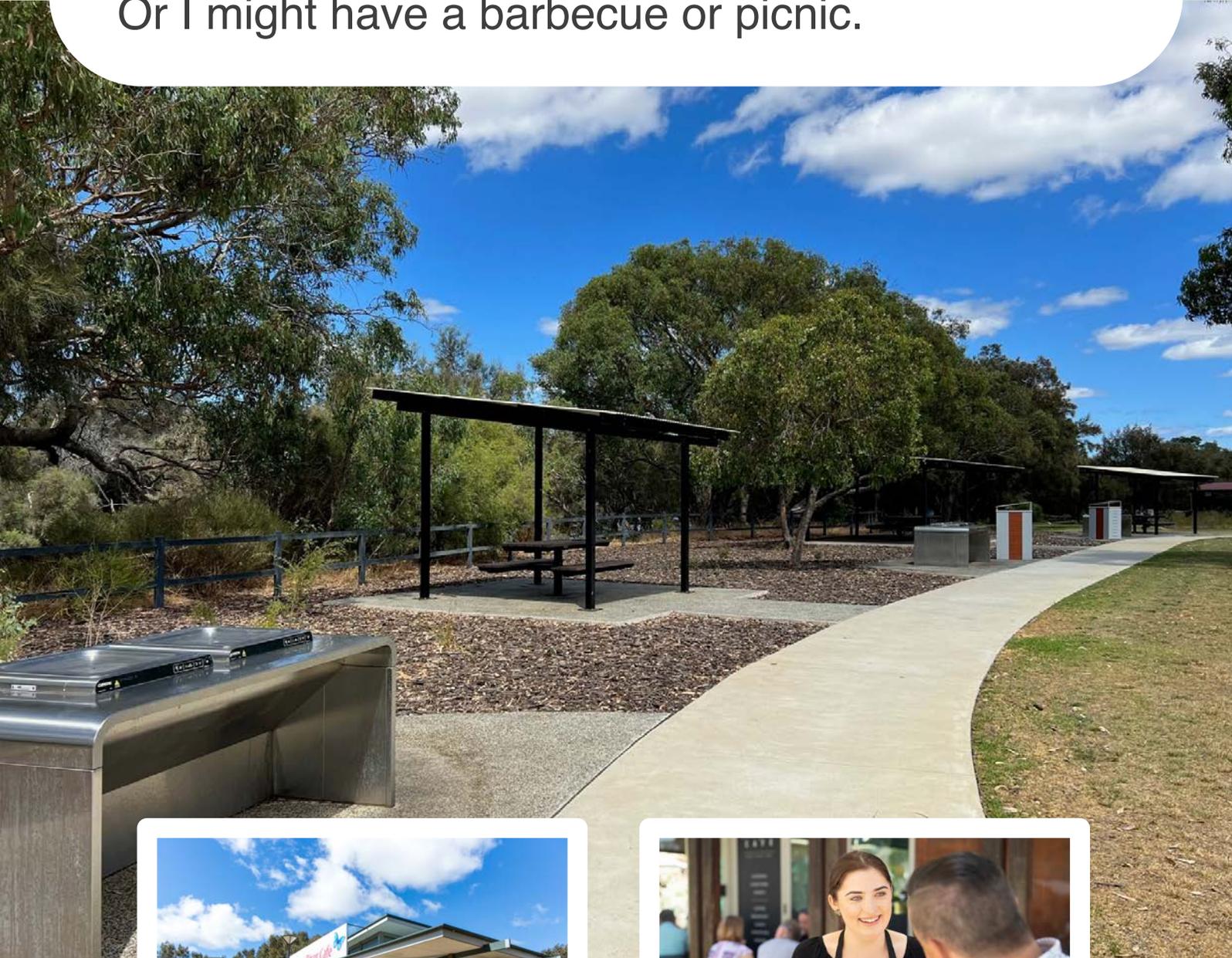
I will need to stay close to my trusted person.

This is important to keep me safe.





If I am hungry, I can get something to eat at the café.
Or I might have a barbecue or picnic.



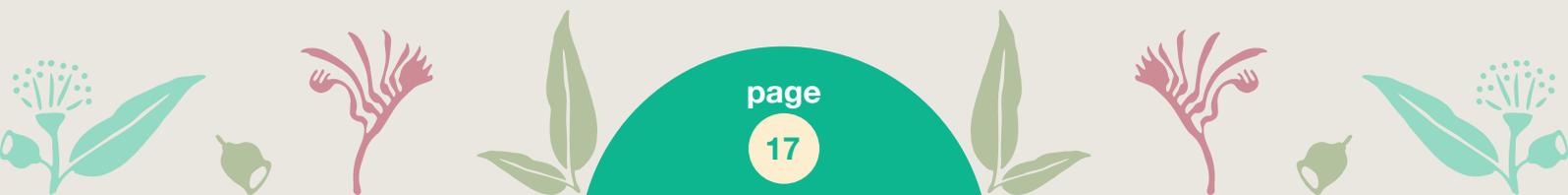


Sometimes Kent Street Weir might be noisy.

I might hear the loud water flowing under the bridge.

I might hear noisy birds and animals.

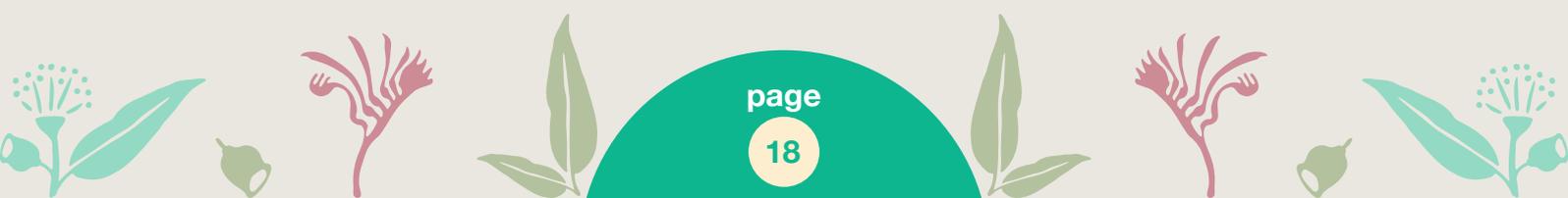
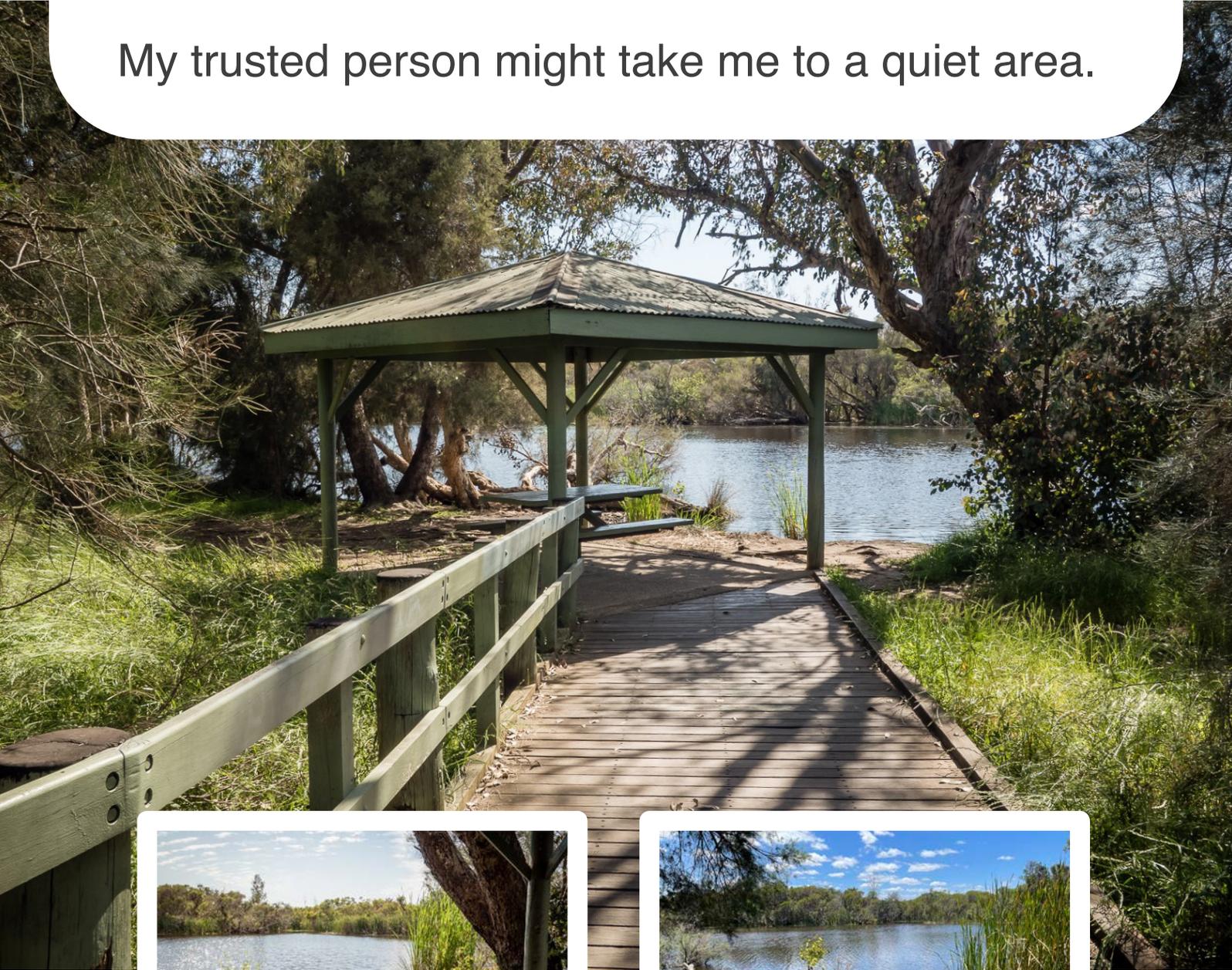
There might be lots of people making noise in the playground and barbecue area.





To help with the noise, I can bring my ear defenders or ear plugs.

My trusted person might take me to a quiet area.





My trusted person will tell me when it is time to go home.

Kent Street Weir is lots of fun!

