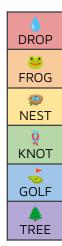# Under the Tree (Solution)
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We are given a 7×5 grid of emojis along with a list of six items (also given as emojis).

The grid is formatted like a word search. One list entry (🌲) is checked off, and four consecutive emojis in the grid have been circled.

As it happens, this is a word search. The example is TREE, formed by taking the initials of the circled emojis (Thread, Razor, Ear, and Elf). (Enumerations are given to help disambiguate, but standard names are always used.)

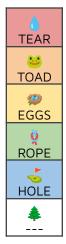The other five items can be found as well (as shown below).

DUMPLING	ROSE	OWL	POTATO	TOOTH	KIWI	GIRAFFE		DROP
LABEL	ARGENTINA	SCISSORS	SAILBOAT	NIGHT	OLIVE	FENCING		FROG
TICKET	LABEL	EURO	ONE	LOLLIPOP	EAGLE	RING		NEST
TRUMPET	NINJA	TEA	FLAMINGO	TRIDENT	EYE	OCTOPUS		KNOT
THREAD	RAZOR	EAR	ELF	RULER	SWORDS	GHOST		GOLF
								TREE

After finding all the words, some emojis are leftover. Their initials spell out the cluephrase LAST LETTERS. (Their last letters also reproduce that clue.)

As it turns out, a second word search is formed by their last letters. But the original words aren't there. Instead, there are five new words, which reinterpret the emojis from the original list (e.g. TEAR instead of DROP).

DUMPLING	ROSE	OWL	POTATO	TOOTH	KIWI	GIRAFFE		TEAR
LABEL	ARGENTINA	SCISSORS	SAILBOAT	NIGHT	OLIVE	FENCING		TOAD
TICKET	LABEL	EURO	ONE	LOLLIPOP	EAGLE	RING		EGGS
TRUMPET	NINJA	TEA	FLAMINGO	TRIDENT	EYE	OCTOPUS		ROPE
THREAD	RAZOR	EAR	ELF	RULER	SWORDS	GHOST		HOLE

All of the list entries can be reinterpreted and found in the new grid, except for TREE, which was given (and appears in the title). At the end, just four scattered unused emojis remain in the grid. Their last letters spell out **GIFT**, a fitting answer to find under the tree.