



My book of trees

- You can make your own book of the trees in your neighbourhood. Find out their names, make rubbings of their bark and draw their leaves, flowers and fruit. Your book will help you to remember the names of the trees and the shapes of the leaves.

What you need:

- A tree! Or trees....
- Several sheets of paper, some wax crayons, a pencil, a stapler

What to do:

- Make a rubbing by holding a sheet of paper against the bark of the tree. Rub the paper with your wax crayon to get an image of the bark. The surface being knobbly, rough or flat.
- On the back of your page write the name of the tree and the date. If you like, you can also draw an image of one of its leaves, flowers or fruit on the back of your page as well.
- When you have a few pages with rubbings from different trees, design a nice cover for your book. Arrange all your pages neatly and staple them together. Congratulations on your new tree book!



Some more ideas:

- Find out more about trees, e.g., scientific facts, poems and stories about trees. You might like to record these in your book as well.
- Do you know what paper is made from? Can you find out?
- Do trees look the same all year round? Why is this?
- You can find out more about trees from people who are interested in them, your local public gardens, the internet.