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Looking more closely at a tree during the whole year encourages you to notice its subtle changes throughout each season. You can use various senses and study different features to build up your knowledge and identification skills of your chosen tree.

WINTER

- Choose a tree that is special or of interest to you.

- Build up a 'tree scrap-book' throughout the seasons.
- There are some ideas for you to fill in here, but feel free to add your own observations on the back of each sheet.

Sketch/ photo of my tree

The texture of the bark feels...

Scratch and sniff the bark/ leaves (if it has any). Do they smell of anything?

The patterns on the bark reminds me of...

List some of the colours you can see on your tree.

Tick the features you can see and if they appear during the season, date when you first notice them:

roots	trunk	branches	buds
leaves	blossom	nuts	berries
seeds	fruit	cones	other

Does your tree have any buds?
What colour are they?
What do they feel like?

Use the back of this sheet for a bark rubbing or extra observations



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SPRING

Have you noticed any changes since winter?

Sketch/ photo of my tree

The texture of the buds feel...

List some of the colours you can see on your tree.

Scratch and sniff the bark/ leaves/ buds/ flowers. Do they smell of anything?

Does your tree have any blossom or seeds?
What colour are they?
What do they feel like?

Tick the features you can see and if they appear during the season, date when you first notice them:

roots	trunk	branches	buds
leaves	blossom	nuts	berries
seeds	fruit	cones	other

Sketch a feature of your tree here:

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Have you noticed any changes since spring?

SUMMER

Sketch/ photo of my tree

The texture of the leaves feel...

List some of the colours you can see on your tree.

Do the leaves have any patterns?

Does your tree have any flowers, seeds, fruit or nuts?
What colour are they?
Can you draw them here:

Tick the features you can see and if they appear during the season, date when you first notice them:

roots	trunk	branches	buds
leaves	blossom	nuts	berries
seeds	fruit	cones	other

How do you think your tree is going to change into the Autumn?

Use the back of this sheet for a leaf rubbing or extra observations



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Autumn

Have you noticed any changes since summer?

Sketch/ photo of my tree

The texture of the leaves feel...

List some of the colours you can see on your tree.

Are all of the leaves on your tree the same colour?

Does your tree have new features?
Can you draw them here:

Tick the features you can see and if they appear during the season, date when you first notice them:

roots	trunk	branches	buds
leaves	blossom	nuts	berries
seeds	fruit	cones	other

Were your predictions correct on how you thought your tree would change?

Use the back of this sheet for extra observations