

# Looking at Leaves

You are to take a walk in the woods and find the following five trees. Gather a leaf from each of the trees. Also answer the following questions about each tree. Make sure to examine the tree that you get the leaves from when you are collecting.



## Quaking Aspen



Deciduous or coniferous? – \_\_\_\_\_

Type of leaf (needle or not needle) – \_\_\_\_\_

If needle (single, cluster, or group) – \_\_\_\_\_

If not needle (simple or compound) – \_\_\_\_\_

What is the color of the leaf right now? \_\_\_\_\_

Have any leaves been eaten by insects? How do you tell? \_\_\_\_\_

Where on the branch do the leaves grow? \_\_\_\_\_

Do the leaves grow far apart from each other, close together, or in clumps? \_\_\_\_\_

If needles, how many needles are in each cluster? \_\_\_\_\_

Do all the leaves or needles on the tree match exactly? \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any flowers, nuts, or fruits on the tree? \_\_\_\_\_

What color is the bark? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the texture of the bark? \_\_\_\_\_

Are this tree's leaves larger or smaller than the other trees' leaves? \_\_\_\_\_

Is this tree larger or smaller than the other trees? \_\_\_\_\_



## Tamarack



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## White Pine



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## Silver Maple



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## Paper Birch



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## Red Oak



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