



## Native Tree Leaves Activity Set

### Activity #2: Leaf Characteristics

Have you ever walked through a forested area and wondered “what kinds of trees are around me”? While it’s easy to get lost in a sea of green, if we take a closer look at a tree’s leaves, we may be able to name the tree.

#### Goals

- Learn the characteristics that make leaves different from one another
- Understand that leaves can be a powerful tool for identifying trees

#### Materials

- Native Tree Leaves in your Neighborhood biodiversity sheet
- Leafy Learning leaf characteristic sheet

Review the Leafy Learning leaf characteristic sheet to help remind the students of the different features leaves have. Five exercises that will help students practice their leaf identifying skills can be found on the corresponding Leaf Characteristics Worksheet.