## Trees with Leaves

Level H/I


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## A tree is a perennial woody plant. A

perennial tree lives for many years. A tree has a trunk, roots, branches, twigs and leaves. There are many different types of trees with many different types of leaves.

## In the Redwood National Park of

northern California, the world's tallest
tree is over 350 feet. That is taller than
London's Big Ben
Tower! The redwood tree is the tallest tree in the world. A redwood has two different kinds of

leaves. Leaves at the top of the tree are small and compact. Leaves lower on the tree are long, flat and needle-like.

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## Palm trees are found in hot and sunny

states, like Hawaii. The palm tree grows
in tropical and warm
climates. The palm
tree does not have branches. Leaves grow out of a bud at the top of its trunk.

Palm trees have

large feather shaped leaves. The
Raffia Palm trees have the largest leaves
in the world!

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## Sugar maple trees can be found in

Northeastern America. Sugar maple trees
can produce large amounts of seeds.
These seeds are
food for seed
eating animals.
A sugar maple
leaf is known as
a palmate leaf. A
palmate leaf looks

similar to a hand. The leaf has five lobes
and u-shaped sinuses.


In northern America people find shade
under white oak trees. The tree's branch
span can reach more than 50 feet. That
is wider than a school bus! The white oak
tree is the state tree of Illinois and is on
the back of the Connecticut state quarter.
The white oak tree leaves are oblong with seven to nine rounded lobes.

## The elm tree can be found in the

## eastern part of North America. They are

## most commonly

found alongside
city streets or in the yards of homes. The elm tree leaf is the

shape of a teardrop. The edge of the leaf
is jagged and saw-toothed. The elm tree
leaf is green during the summer and turns gold or brown in the fall.

## There are many types of trees

throughout the world. Trees can live in many different places. They may be in a backyard, in a park, in a forest or
in a wooded
area. Look for

different trees
in your neighborhood. Collect the leaves
from each tree and look to see how they
are different.

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