My street tree



Have you ever stopped to have a good look at your nearest garden or street trees? What sort are they? How old? Are they important for wildlife? Do birds roost or nest in them?

You will need:

- Sheet of blank paper, and clipboard
- Extra paper and crayons
- Magnifying glass or bug pot
- Minibeast ID chart or book
- Tape measure (optional)
- · Leaf spotting sheet or other tree ID chart



Plenty of healthy

leaves

Stick a fallen leaf on the paper, or do a rubbing using paper and crayons.

my house

height of

house

MINIBEASTS:

l green caterpillar

2 woodlice

2 spiders

bark

VERDICT: I think my tree is healthy

rubbing

2 harvestmen

lots of aphids

- Use a magnifying glass, 3 pot or pooter to check out the minibeasts living on your tree.
- How thick is its trunk? (4) Can you measure it at chest height with a tape measure? Can you hug it?
- Does your tree have (5) plenty of healthy leaves and soil around its trunk?
- What other wildlife (6) is living in the tree? Put all your findings on your tree drawing.

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