



Aim

- I can identify and name common wild plants.
- I can gather information to answer a question.

Success Criteria

- I can find plants in the wild and identify them by a picture.
- I can say the name of some wild plants that I see.
- I can collect information.
- I can use it to answer a question.



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Wild Plants



A wild plant is one that grows by itself.

A wild plant seed grows where it falls.

It doesn't need to be planted.

It doesn't need to be cared for as it grows.

If a wild plant grows where it is not wanted, it might be called a weed.

Can you think of any weeds you know?

We are going to look at some common wild plants.



These are dandelions.

They have bright yellow flowers.

They have fluffy white seed heads.

Some people like to blow the seeds and make a wish!









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These are daisies.

They have white petals with bright yellow centres.

They grow in the grass.

Sometimes, people use them to make daisy chains.









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These are buttercups.

They have shiny yellow petals.

They have feathery leaves.

You might have played a game where you hold one under someone's chin to see if it shines yellow!









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This is clover.

Clover has white or pink flower heads.

It has leaves in groups of three.

Some people think it is very lucky to find a four leaf clover!









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These are nettles.

They have jagged, prickly leaves.

They have tiny green-white flowers.

Be very careful not to touch them, they will give you a nasty sting!









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These are brambles.

They have very prickly stems.

They have white flowers.

They can grow very big.

In the autumn, brambles grow blackberries!









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These are dog roses.

They have long thorny stems.

They have sweet smelling pale pink flowers.

In the autumn they grow big red berries called hips.









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This is ivy.

It has heart shaped or three pointed leaves.

It is an evergreen.

It climbs on trees and walls, or creeps along the ground.



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How could we find out which of these wild plants is the most common in the area that we are visiting?

Talk to your partner and see if you have any ideas.



Wild Plant Hunt



We are going on a wild plant hunt.

We will go for a walk and see if we can find any of these wild plants.

Work with a partner. If you see one of these plants, make a mark on your activity sheet. If you see another, make another mark. This is called a tally.

Wild Plant Hunt

Look carefully for these wild plants. Each time you see one, mark a line on the tally chart Wild Plant Tally Dandelion Daisy Buttercup Clover Nettle Bramble Dog Rose

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Wild Plant	Tally	Number
Dandelion		
Daisy		
Buttercup		
Clover		
Nettle		
Bramble	*	
Dog Rose		
Ivy		

What Did We Find?



We have been on a wild plant hunt!

Did you find lots of wild plants?

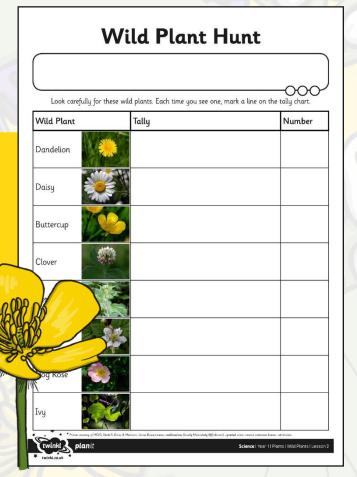


What Did We Find?



We found lots of wild plants and we took a tally.

How shall we find out which plant was the most common today?



What Did We Find?



Count up the marks of your tally and write the total number in the box at the end.

Let's see which plant you saw the most times.

Which plant did you find was the most common?

Wild Plant	Tally	Number
Dandelion	# I	6

