

GROUP 4A & 4B TREE PROJECT

HOW MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF OAK TREES CAN YOU FIND?

YOUR TREE PROJECT IS DUE ON **OCTOBER 1ST**. PLEASE BRING YOUR BOOKLET TO CLASS TO SHARE THAT DAY. STUDENTS CAN CHOOSE A PRIZE FROM THE CLASS PRIZE BOX FOR COMPLETED PROJECTS. THE STUDENT IN 4A AND IN 4B THAT FIND THE MOST OAK TREE LEAVES WILL RECEIVE A LARGER PRIZE FOR THEIR EFFORTS.

Part one: See how many different types of Oak trees you can find. (Students should collect a minimum of 4 kinds) Press a leaf from each tree between pieces of paper towel & set some books on top. There are 14 different kinds of Oak trees listed in your Common Native Trees of Virginia book. There is a Shumard Oak in front of the Central Library. This type is not listed in your book. There is a Sawtooth Oak on the left as you drive into Darden Towe Park. It is before you come to the "T" in the road. The Sawtooth Oak is also not in your book. There are Oak trees all over Virginia. Go for a walk along the Monticello Trail, Ivy Creek, your neighborhood to find more. I look forward to seeing how many you can find!

Part two: Mount each leaf that you found on a piece of white paper and identify each type of Oak tree. Collect acorns from any of the trees that you might find. Place the acorn in a bag with the name of the tree. Staple the pages together or place them in a pocket folder to bring to class. Your Common Native Trees of Virginia book will be helpful in the identification process. This website is also helpful when trying to identify different Oak trees.

<https://www.gardeningchores.com/types-of-oak-trees/>

All Oaks are part of the white oak group or the red oak group. The best way to identify Oak trees is by looking at their acorns, leaf shapes & flowers. Also include uses of the wood from the tree.

Example page:

OAK TREE #1 = WHITE OAK TREE

USES FOR THE WOOD- USED FOR FURNITURE, TOOLS, & FUEL

