

TREE LEAF COLLECTION

How many leaves? 30

What information is needed for each leaf?

Each leaf will have a small label (typed or printed) with the following information:

1. **Scientific name:** ex. *Acer saccharum* or Acer saccharum
2. **Common name:** ex. Sugar Maple
3. **Date collected**
4. **Location collected:** ex. Muncie, IN

How much is the leaf collection worth?

It is worth **10% of the first nine weeks grade** in Life Science.

When is the leaf collection due?

It is due in mid October.

How should the leaf collection be displayed?

The actual display is left up to the student. However, neatness and appearance are important factors in the grade.

How will the grade be calculated?

Number of leaves	30 points
Number of correct scientific names	30 points
Condition of the leaves	20 points
<u>Display</u>	<u>20 points</u>
Total	100 points

Miscellaneous

You must collect and identify your own leaves. You can not use leaves from an older brother or sister's leaf collection.

Use a good identification book. The public library has identification books.

Collect more leaves than you need in case you can not identify all of them. Include the seeds of the trees if this will help you identify the leaves. You may also include a second leaf turned over to show the back side.

Do not wait too late to start collecting your leaves as they begin, falling from the trees in early fall.

Place your leaves in between old newspapers to dry. Let them dry a week or so before mounting. In grading, each leaf will be looked up to see if it is identified correctly.

Bonus points can be earned if turned in early. Also, up to ten bonus points can be earned for extra leaves. These must be designated as such.