

# Letter tree

Using an alphabet tree to begin letter recognition and selecting appropriate words from the outdoor environment

## EYFS

**Early learning goals:** Communication and language, Understanding the world, Literacy

**Activity type:** individual/pairs/small groups

**Length of activity:** 5-20 minutes

**Outdoor requirements:** playground with a few trees or local park

**Resources:** individual letters with string to hang on a tree (ipads/camera optional)

### Starter activity:

Ask each child to choose a letter. Show everyone the letter and sound it out together.



### Main activities:

Individually or pairs, this activity could be implemented in a variety of ways:

- Choose a letter and find something beginning with that letter.
- Choose a letter and take a picture of something beginning with that letter (using ipad or camera).
- Choose a letter, find something beginning with that letter and draw it.
- Find an object and select the letter that the word begins with.

### Plenary activity:

In small groups, read together the letters that the children chose.

Taking turns, children share the object/picture that they found. Ask other children to guess the letter that it begins with.



### Specific risk assessment

Ensure area is free from litter/broken glass.