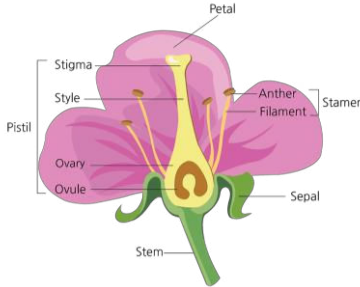
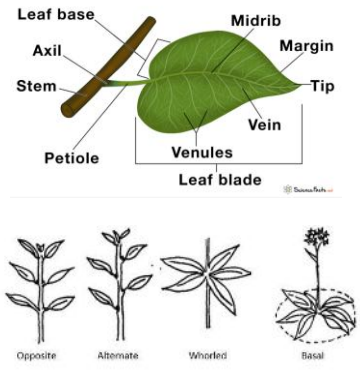


Looking Closely at Plants: Features that Can Help with Identification

Your Name _____

Plant Part	Things to Notice	Your Notes or Sketches
Flower 	Colour Shape Size Smell Number of petals Sepals/buds Stamens (pollen producing parts) Pistil (seed making- parts)	
Fruits or Cones and Seeds <i>Remember! Fruits to people (sweet things we eat) are different than what a fruit is to a plant! A fruit is formed after a flower is pollinated and is the part of the plant that contains its seeds.</i>	Fruit or Cone? Shape Size Colour Texture (dry, juicy, hooked, spiny) Quantity of seeds inside fruit	
Leaves and Stem 	Size Broad leaves or needles Shape (round, oval, lobed, heart-shaped, spiny, etc) Margins (smooth, toothed, jagged) Vein pattern Texture (smooth, waxy, hairy, thorny) Leaf arrangement on the stem (opposite, alternate, whorled, basal) Stem shape (round, square)	
Tree <i>More things to look at in addition to the features above!</i>	Bark texture, colour, smell Branching pattern Height Trunk width or circumference Shape	

Plant Part	Things to Notice	Your Notes or Sketches
Habit and Habitat	Plant height Overall plant shape Growth form (vine, shrub, herb, tree, grass) Location/Habitat (sunny or shady, moisture, soil) Space it is occupying, other plants nearby Interactions with animals (birds, insects)	
Names of Plants Identified and Locations		