

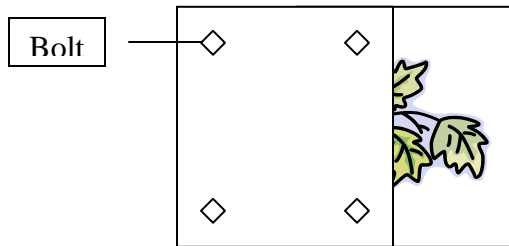
Leaf Collection Information

Students will collect 26 leaves. My suggestion is for your collection to contain leaves in “Fall Coloration” for aesthetic value. One of your favorite leaves will be used for a special project.

Preparation-

Before you collect your leaves, understand that you will need some type of apparatus to press your leaves flat and to allow for moisture to evaporate from the leaf. If you do not press your leaves they will curl and/or become moldy.

Leaf Press- 2 pieces of wood, newspaper, bolts, wing nuts



Place leaf in between newspaper. Newspaper is best because it “wicks” away moisture. Place into leaf press. Tighten down wing nuts. Allow to dry for a few weeks. You may put all 25 leaves into press at same time if your press is large enough!

Presentation- You are limited only by your creativity. However, you must include a *Common Name*, Genus and species, and a description of the tree.

Ex.

Type of Tree: _____

Color of leaf: _____

Color of bark: _____

Size of tree: (big) (medium) (small)

Other interesting things
(ex: fruit, berries, seeds, thorns)

Picture (ex: the tree, the leaf, the seeds, etc.)



You could copy 25 of these templates, fill in information, attach specimen, and place directly into a photo album. Quite nice!

SAVE ONE OF YOUR BEST PRESSED LEAVES FOR A SPECIAL PROJECT!