

## How's your Nature Knowledge?

### Student Introduction

- ▶ This resource will help you to practise your reading skills
- ▶ You will also gain an understanding of the specimen trees that can be seen at Robin Hill Country Park!



### There is an abundance of nature at Robin Hill!

#### TASK

- ✓ Read the information on pages 1 and 2 and answer the questions in FULL SENTENCES, with quotations to support your answer.

Copper Beech



With red/purple pigments in its leaf, this beech variety stays its copper colour until leaf fall. Beech trees love chalk and limestone soils. Look out for this stunning specimen near our

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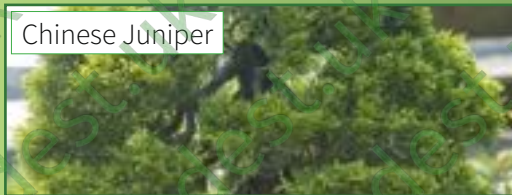
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Native of the Balkan area of Europe and Asia, the handsome 'candlestick' flowers arrived in Britain in the 16th century. This tree is known for its conker seeds in autumn.

Chinese Juniper



This popular garden evergreen was first brought to England in 1804. Juniper oil was used in ancient Egypt for preserving bodies for mummification. See this tree in the top part of the gardens.

1. Where does the Horse Chestnut tree originate, and what is it best known for?

2. Describe what the ancient Egyptians used one particular tree for.

3. Which tree is described as 'not a usual specimen of English woodland'? Summarise the information about this tree:

