

Evergreen Evidence!

Can you identify tree types at The Model Village, Godshill?

- ✓ There are over 250 types of tree at Godshill Model Village.
- ✓ Most of these are conifers which are evergreen and keep their leaves all year.

STUDENT INTRODUCTION

- ▶ To identify trees, scientists look at their characteristics - they can also do this to find new species, or types of tree.
- ▶ These characteristics include things like colour, shape of leaves, branching, etc.
- ▶ As you look at the different trees around the village, how many differences can you see?

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» Answer the questions in the table on page 2

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Cedar



Fir



Juniper



Larch



Pine



Spruce



Yew

NAME:

STEP 2

- » Please do not cause damage to any of the trees as you fill in the table!
- » Answer the questions below for each of your 5 chosen tree types:

Question	1:	2:	3:	4:	5:
Colour: (ie light green, dark green, blue/green, grey/green, yellow/green, yellow)					
Leaves: are they needle type or scaly type?					
If needles, are they attached to the stem in bundles or individually?					
If it has needles, are they short or long?					
Are the needles prickly or soft?					
Do the leaves (whether they are needles or scaly) go all around the stem or is the stem woody?					

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- » Choose at least two of your five chosen tree types and sketch the leaves below:



WHAT SPECIES?

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- ✓ Looking at your table on page 2, your sketches, and the images on page 1, identify your tree types.
- ✓ Write your tree types next to the numbers 1-5 on page 2.

Can you find out the trees' Latin names when you return to school?

EXTENSION

PLANTS

1. Find out what **coarse bonsai** is during your visit. Describe it:

2. Find an example and sketch it below:

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3. Why is bonsai used in The Model Village Godshill?

