

# Fascinating flowers



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## Make friends with a flower:

Choose one flower in a botanical garden, arboretum, yard or roadside. Answer the following questions by observing your flower where it grows. When you are finished, try this with a different flower!

You will also need: a pencil, a clipboard or hard surface to write on, and this worksheet.

1 I am at (include the name and a description of the garden or place you're at):

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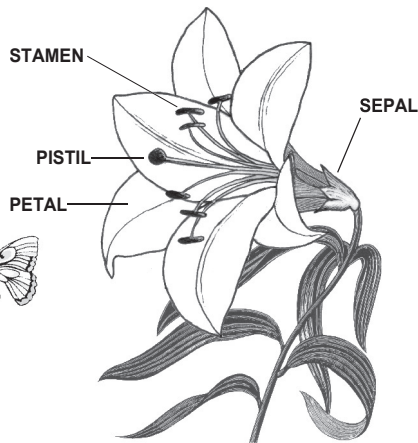


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5 My flower's smell is...(choose one):

strong  mild  no smell

6 Sketch your flower on the back of this sheet. Can you find some of the flower's parts? Look at the drawing below and compare.



2 What colour is your flower?

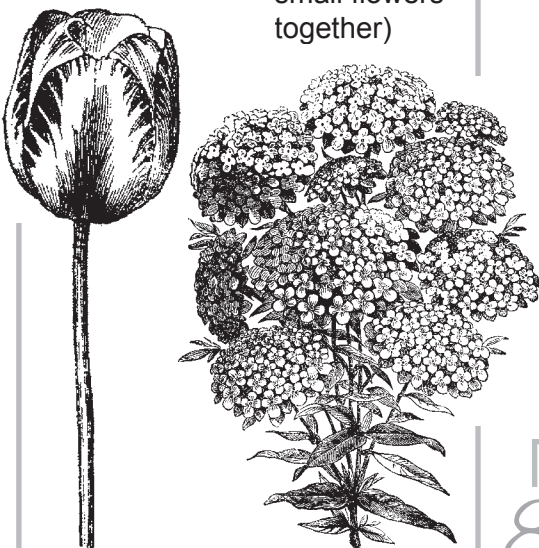
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3 My flower is... (choose one):

a single flower  a composite flower (many small flowers together)



7 Flowers and plants are food for animals (including people). Can you see any signs that animals have eaten parts of your flower? Draw what you see on the back of this sheet

8 How can you help your flower survive and grow?

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4 My flower is as big as... (choose one):

my baby finger nail  a penny  
 a tennis ball  a dinner plate

9 Many flowers are pollinated by animals. Animals are attracted by different smells, colours, and shapes. Did any pollinators visit your flower while you watched it? (choose as many as you saw):

flies  beetles  
 bees  hummingbirds  
 butterflies/moths  
 none  others:

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**Biodiversity—  
the amazing variety of life  
on earth!**

10 Record anything you would like to find out about your flower:

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*Flowers are amazing!  
They come in many  
different shapes, sizes,  
and colours.*

Flowers are the reproductive parts of plants. Flowers are pollinated when animals or wind carry powdery pollen to the sticky pistil of another flower. Pollinated flowers grow into fruits containing seeds. Seeds grow into plants. Visit your flower in a few months and see if it has made fruits!