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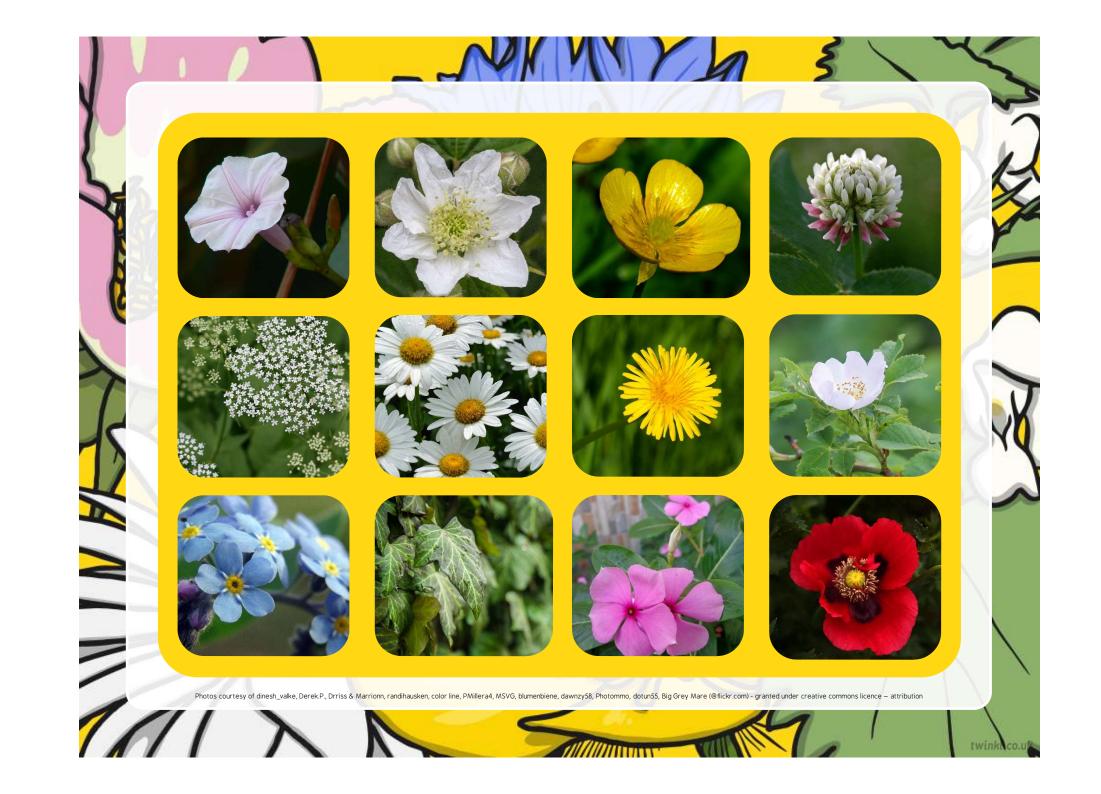
- I can identify and name common wild plants.
- I can gather information to answer a question.

Success Criteria

- I can find plants in the wild and identify them by a picture.
- I can say the name of some wild plants that I see.
- I can collect information.

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• I can use it to answer a question.



Wild Plants

Today we are learning about wild plants.

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What do you think a wild plant is?

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Wild Plants

A wild plant is one that grows by itself.

A wild plant seed grows where it falls. It doesn't need to be planted.

It doesn't need to be cared for as it grows.

If a wild plant grows where it is not wanted, it might be called a weed.

Can you think of any weeds you know?

We are going to look at some common wild plants.

These are dandelions.

They have bright yellow flowers.

They have fluffy white seed heads.

Some people like to blow the seeds and make a wish!



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These are daisies.

They have white petals with bright yellow centres.

They grow in the grass.

Sometimes, people use them to make daisy chains.





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They have shiny yellow petals.

They have feathery leaves.

You might have played a game where you hold one under someone's chin to see if it shines yellow!

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This is clover.

Clover has white or pink flower heads.

It has leaves in groups of three.

Some people think it is very lucky to find a four leaf clover!



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These are nettles.

They have jagged, prickly leaves.

They have tiny green-white flowers.

<u>Be very careful not to</u> <u>touch</u> them, they will give you a nasty sting!





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These are brambles.

They have very prickly stems. They have white flowers. They can grow very big. In the autumn, brambles grow blackberries!





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These are dog roses.

They have long thorny stems.

They have sweet smelling pale pink flowers.

In the autumn they grow big red berries called hips.



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This is ivy.

It has heart shaped or three pointed leaves.

It is an evergreen.

It climbs on trees and walls, or creeps along the ground. Photos courtesy of Renate Flynn, base



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Which Wild Plant Is the Most Common?

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How could we find out which of these wild plants is the most common in the area that we are visiting?

Talk to your partner and see if you have any ideas.

Wild Plant Hunt

Why not go on a plant hunt on your next walk?

I have attached the sheet for you to do in your own time.

If you see one of these plants, make a mark on your activity sheet. If you see another, make another mark. This is called a tally.

Wild Plant	these wild plants. Each time you see on	Number
Dandelion	₩ ₩	
Daisy		
Buttercup	<u></u>	
Clover		
Nettle		
Bramble	25	
Dog Rose		
Ivy 🚺	27	

What Did We Find?

We have been on a wild plant hunt! Did you find lots of wild plants?



What Did We Find?

Count up the marks of your tally and write the total number in the box at the end. Let's see which plant you saw the most times.

Which plant did you find was the most common?

Dandelion	

What Did We Find?



We are going to add up all the wild plants that you found to find out which was the most common plant seen by our class today.



