



A Youth Gardening project
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Meet My Terrific Tree!

Welcome to a special project designed for youths of all ages: Meet My Terrific Tree! You can start at any time of the year to observe your tree during every season, giving you 365 days to enjoy and appreciate your tree. Prepare yourself for exciting projects, experiments, activities, opportunities, and much, much more! Some activities you will want to do yourself; sometimes you will want others to share in your fun.

Things you should know before getting started:

1. **Find your tree.** It should be close enough for you to visit often.
2. **You'll report your details and discoveries online.** At the end of every season, send all your work to the National Youth Gardening Chair, Cheri Kessen, at ckessen2001@yahoo.com
3. **Find your pace.** You don't have to do everything on the list each season, but try hard to do all you can. Put a check mark beside the ones you completed.
4. **Plan ahead.** Before going to visit your tree, make sure you have what you will need to take with you to complete your assignment.
5. **Show us!** Send us your drawings, poems and stories that you write.
6. **Make memories!** Maybe keep a Tree scrapbook of photos or diary to record your visits and what you saw.
7. **Be yourself!** Add anything you want, or try something different anytime during the correct season.
8. **Official Stuff.** The Gardeners of America needs signed permission from your parent or guardian to place pictures and names in promotional materials.

Parent/Guardian's name (Print) _____ Date _____

Signature _____ Circle: Parent or Guardian

Parent's Address _____

Parent's Phone _____ Email _____

We're excited to Meet Your Terrific Tree and hope you soon will be very excited, too. Let's get going!

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My name is _____ Age _____

I named my tree _____

Where is it growing? _____

What kind of tree is it? _____

Tell us more about your tree.

Why did you pick this tree?

What do you like best about your terrific tree?