

## Wilderness survivor: would you be able to pick the trees to help?

Grade 5s, on your visit to Ross Farm Museum you experienced different situations where you had to depend on your environment for medicine. If you were lost and needed medicine would you know what to do? Match these trees to their unique medicinal properties and you will truly be a **wilderness survivor**.

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| 1. Alder          | ___ can be consumed to alleviate stomach aches                             |
| 2. Birch          | birch<br>___ boil the sap to make syrup or sugar                           |
| 3. Speckled alder | ___ boil inner bark in vinegar to kill lice                                |
| 4. Sugar maple    | ___ use as insect repellent<br><br>___ brew bark and leaves to treat fever |

## Identify Leaves and Bark



Use the following link for more information and to check answers:  
[http://novascotia.ca/natr/forestry/treeid/Trees\\_Of\\_Acadian\\_Forest2.pdf](http://novascotia.ca/natr/forestry/treeid/Trees_Of_Acadian_Forest2.pdf)

References:

[http://www.eco-usa.net/nature/trees/red\\_alder.shtml](http://www.eco-usa.net/nature/trees/red_alder.shtml)

<http://www.uwgb.edu/biodiversity/herbarium/trees/alninc01.htm>

<http://www.wildmanstevebrill.com>