

## The Tree Ageing Code



### Before you start

1. Identify a good tree and get permission from the landowners and from your teachers, parents or another responsible adult.
2. Find your old, warm clothes and suitable shoes.

### At the site

3. Find your tree and identify it using an identification key or book.
4. Measure up from the base to approximately 5ft (1.5m)
5. Measure all the way around the trunk of the tree in cm (the circumference). Avoid bits that stick out or branches.
6. Each 2.5cm is 1 years growth.
7. Work out the age of the tree.

### When you have finished

8. Leave the area, exactly how you found it.



Hazel  
Photo from Mike Snow



Oak  
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