



I-Spy - Autumn



Tick the magnifying glass if you spot these signs of autumn on your walk.



Coloured leaves



Berries

Berries are an important food source for birds in the autumn and winter. Inside the juicy exterior are small seeds which then pass through the bird so they are excreted away from the parent plant.



Rosehip



Blackberry



Hawthorn



Elderberry



Turn over for more signs of autumn

Seeds

Seeds are dispersed (spread) in many different ways. Some are eaten by animals and birds, some stick to animals and are carried away and others are blown by the wind. How are these tree seeds dispersed?



Oak



Beech



Ash



Sycamore

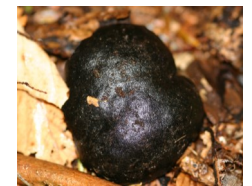


Fungi

Many fungi produce fruiting bodies in autumn, known as mushrooms and toadstools. The microscopic spores they produce are the equivalent of seeds in plants.



Fly agaric



King Alfred's cakes

If you have enjoyed this I-Spy, look out for more I-Spy challenges in winter, spring and summer.

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