BOTANICAL SCAVENGER HUNT

Instructions:

- Get started by downloading the free app, Seek (by iNaturalist, a joint initiative of the California Academy of Sciences and the National Geographic Society) from wherever you download your apps.
- Use the camera function in the Seek app to scan plants (or just about any other kind of wildlife).
- Find as many of the plants listed below and tell us roughly where you found them (e.g. "at Memorial Park" or "my backyard" or "near the corner of High Street and Adams Street"). When you've found all that you can find, bring this sheet back in to the library to get a prize!

Tips for getting the best results with Seek:

- The Seek app works best when the item you're scanning is staying relatively still, so if it's really windy, you may want to pick a different time to search.
- We made sure that we were able to scan the plants we've selected easily. Many are currently in bloom and flowers tend to be the easiest thing for Seek to identify. You may need to try a variety of angles to get to the specific type of plant (it will tell you what it knows as it sorts through the class/order/family/genus/species designations, but sometimes the app stalls out before it reaches species and you may need to try new angle).
- If the camera app in Seek freezes up, you may want to close out of the camera in between scans. It'll probably work better and faster when you reopen the camera.

A few notes about safety:

- Please be sure to ask for permission before setting foot in someone else's yard.
- All of these plants can be found in and around Jefferson City and none required straying too far off city/park sidewalks. Don't be attempting to crawl up or down cliffs or anything like that.
- If it's going to be super hot outside, consider doing your search in the early morning or in the evening. And don't forget to stay hydrated! Maybe slather on some sunscreen too.



FLOWERS AND PLANTS



Coneflower (any type) color: where you found it:



Day Lily color: where you found it:



Phlox (any type) type or color: where you found it:



Black-Eyed Susan where you found it:



Pansy (any type) color/type: where you found it:



Beardtongue (any type) type: where you found it:



Moss Verbena where you found it:



Lavender where you found it:



White Clover where you found it:



Hostas where you found it:



Mint (any type) leaf type: where you found it:



Giant Ragweed where you found it:



Queen Anne's Lace where you found it:



Obedient Plant where you found it:



Rose (any type) type: where you found it:

TREES



Magnolia Tree (any type) type: where you found it:



Maple Tree (any type) type: where you found it:



Oak Tree (any type) type: where you found it:



Dogwood Tree (any species) type: where you found it:



Sassafras Tree where you found it:

BUSHES



Spirea Bush type/color: where you found it:



American Black Elderberry Bush where you found it:



Butterfly Bush where you found it:

STUFF YOU DON'T WANT IN YOUR YARD



Japanese (or Amur) Honeysuckle (highly invasive) where you found it:



Poison Ivy (DO NOT TOUCH) where you found it:

ANYTHING ELSE?

Did you scan any other cool plants? Tell us what you saw: