

## Fieldtrip

Hazel trees are one of the trees that grow in hedgerows.  
Go to your nearest hedge to find out.

Are there hazel trees in your hedge – or in your school grounds? \_\_\_\_\_

If not – plant a hazel tree. You can collect a hazel nut and plant a young tree in the school grounds during TREE DAY in October.

Hedges are very good habitat for plants and animals.

There are four levels of plant and animal life in a hedge. Fill in the details of the four levels in your hedge.

### CANOPY

The tallest trees get the most light on their leaves. The canopy trees in our hedge are

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### SHRUB LAYER

This consists of smaller trees and shrubs and climbing plants that are lower than the main trees. There are \_\_\_\_\_

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in the shrub layer in our hedge.

### GROUND LAYER

This is where the flowers in the hedge grow. They have little light when all the leaves are on the canopy and shrub layer. In September, we saw \_\_\_\_\_

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in the ground layer. In April/May, we saw \_\_\_\_\_

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in the ground layer.

### LEAF LITTER

This is where all the dead leaves are broken down into compost by creepy-crawlies.