

Representative Plants

Teachers:

The nature of this unit requires that children have the opportunity to make observations on live plants as part of their science investigations. Below are suggestions for representative plants from each group of plants studied in this unit. The plants can come from your homes, gardens, retail stores, or online vendors.

Note that you only need one plant from each group, but you will need to provide each team a sample to observe. For example, one large fern plant can be divided into 4 parts to accommodate 4 teams.

Bryophytes

Moss

Liverworts

Hornworts

Vascular Plants

Ferns

Gymnosperms

Pine needles, pine cones (may be collected locally)

Angiosperms

Any flowering plant