

Let's Draw!

1). Draw and color from memory any leaf you can think of or imagine.

2). Go outside or around the room and chose a favorite leaf to look at. Now draw the real leaf in as much detail as you can.

Hints for looking:

- How many different colors can you see?
- Is the underside a different color from the top?
- Did you know that some artists say there are 100 shades of green?
- How many shades of green can you identify in the leaf?
- What other colors stand out for you?
- Of course, these colors can often change depending on the season or amount of sun the leaf gets. What time of year is it? How many hours of sunlight do you think this leaf enjoys? Did you know that all the colors are actually there even in the spring and summer, but in the fall the green goes away and the other colors become more visible?
- What kind of edge does your leaf have (like smooth, jagged, pointy)?
- Do you know the name of the plant it belongs to?

Notice: How are the two drawings different?