

SPRING BLOOM MATCHUP

Family Activity

LEARNING OBJECTIVE

To be able to identify common spring blooming plants by name, picture and “fun fact”.

MATERIALS NEEDED

Pen
Scissor (optional)
Glue Stick (optional)

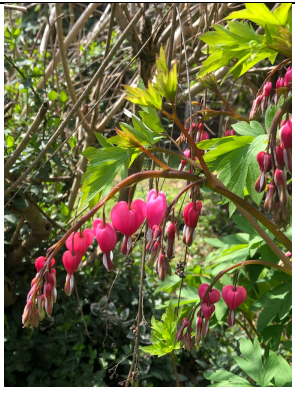



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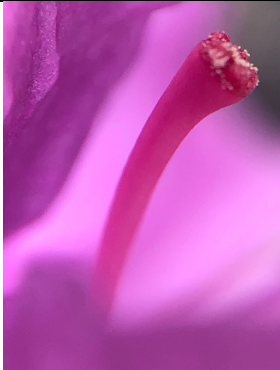




This activity can be either a worksheet activity, or a cut and paste matching activity. Younger family members can match the photos while older family members can help name the plants. Together, research the “fun facts” and see if you can identify what plant it belongs to.


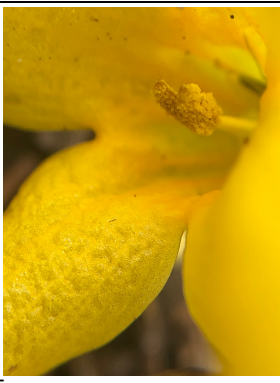



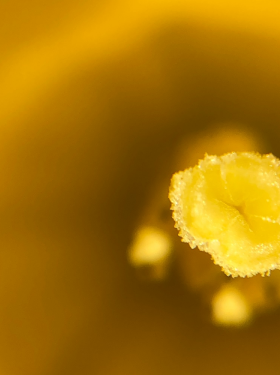




1. Match picture of plant with that of it’s close-up.
2. Match name of plant to picture.
3. Match “fun facts” to each plant.

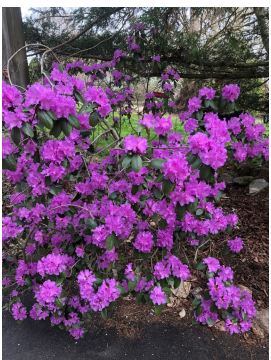
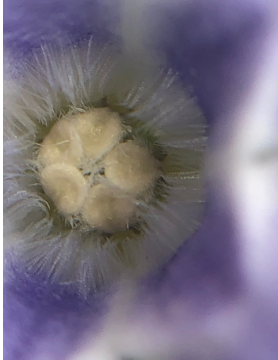

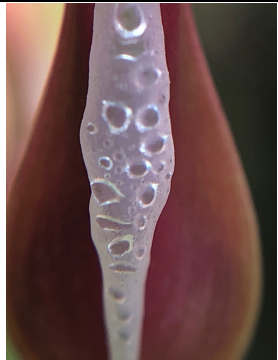


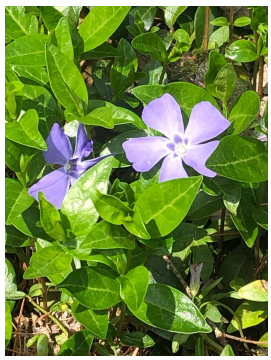



ANSWER KEY

The answer key can be found on our website.

1.			____ Mayapple	____ Can be foraged for food, high in vitamins A and C. Can be used to make a tea to ward off colds and respiratory conditions.
2.			____ Wild Violet	____ Part of the lily family. Name derived from Persian word that means turban.

3.			___ English Ivy	___ Part of the dogbane family. The leaves are evergreen.
4.			___ Lambs Ears	___ A creeping perennial weed. Not only germinated by seed but can also produce new root systems from nodes.
5.			___ Forsythia	___ May be either evergreen or deciduous.
6.			___ Mountain Fire	___ Member of the bean family native to North America.
7.			___ Dandelion	___ Seldom encounters disease and pests. Grows well in shade, under trees and in poor or acidic soil.

8.			___ Pachysandra	___ Slow growing evergreen also known as Japanese Andromeda.
9.			___ Rhododendron	___ The entire plant, apart from the ripe yellow fruit, is deadly toxic. Also known as ground lemon.
10.			___ Tulip	___ In the olive family, native to the Balken peninsula.
11.			___ Bleeding Heart	___ Drought tolerant and deer resistant. Native to Turkey, Armenia and Iran.
12.			___ Vinca Minor	___ Highly fragrant and blooms in dense clusters. Derived from the Greek word hyakinthos.

13.			___ Hyacinth	___ This plant has 11 species, mostly native to Asia and is also known as “Easter Tree”.
14.			___ Lilac Bud	___ The English name is a corruption of the French name meaning lion’s tooth.
15.			___ Speedwell	___ Perennial classified as Narcisseae.
16.			___ Daffodil	___ When dense and mature, can destroy habitat for native wildlife and prohibit the growth of other plants.
17.			___ Redbud	___ Native to Asia, part of the poppy family.