

Oldbridge Tree Trail



Did you know :

That trees are the oldest living things on our planet ?
Or that trees grow three times faster in Ireland than anywhere else in Europe ?

If you wish to learn more about the trees here in Oldbridge then simply follow the map and answer the questions.



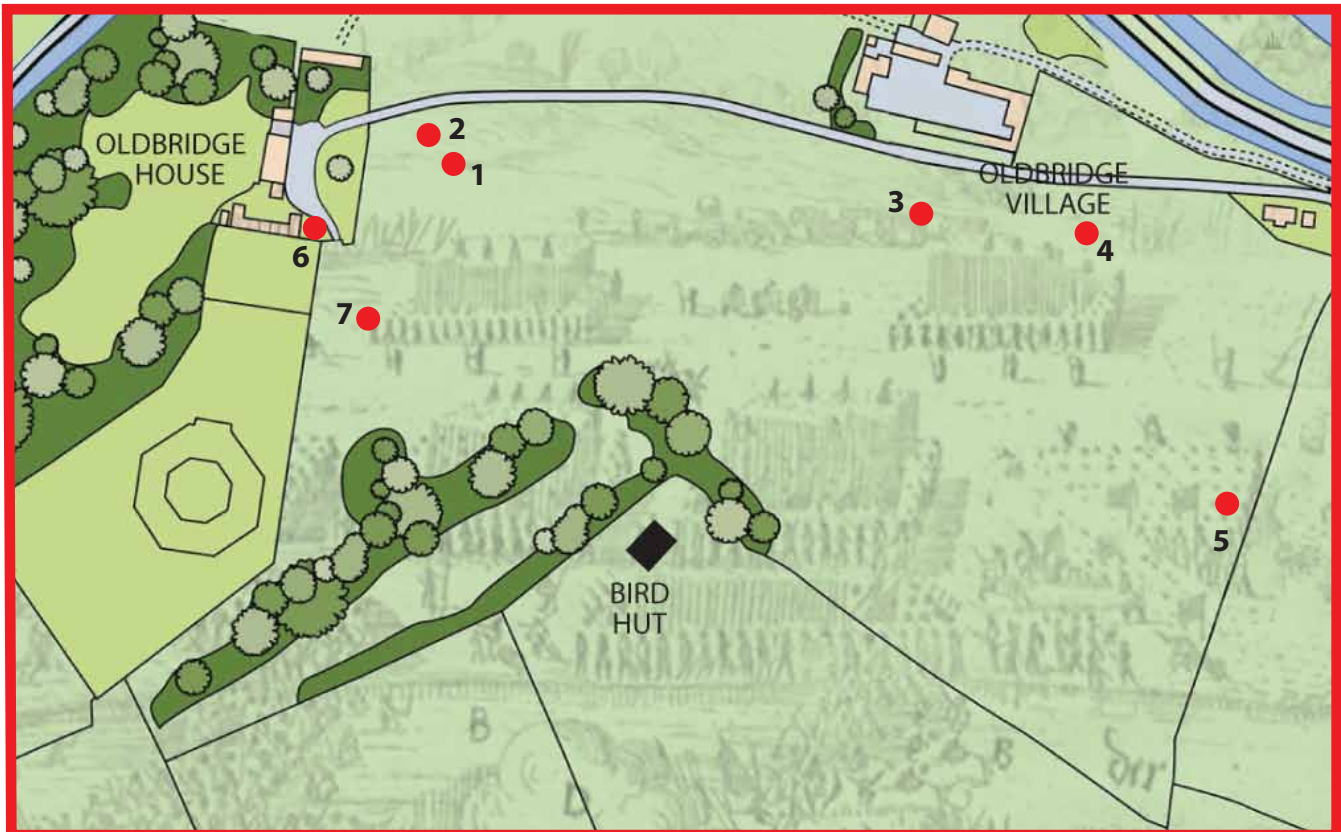
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Have Fun



Evergreen

Tree Trail Map



Tree No. 1

Name : _____

Please tick the correct box



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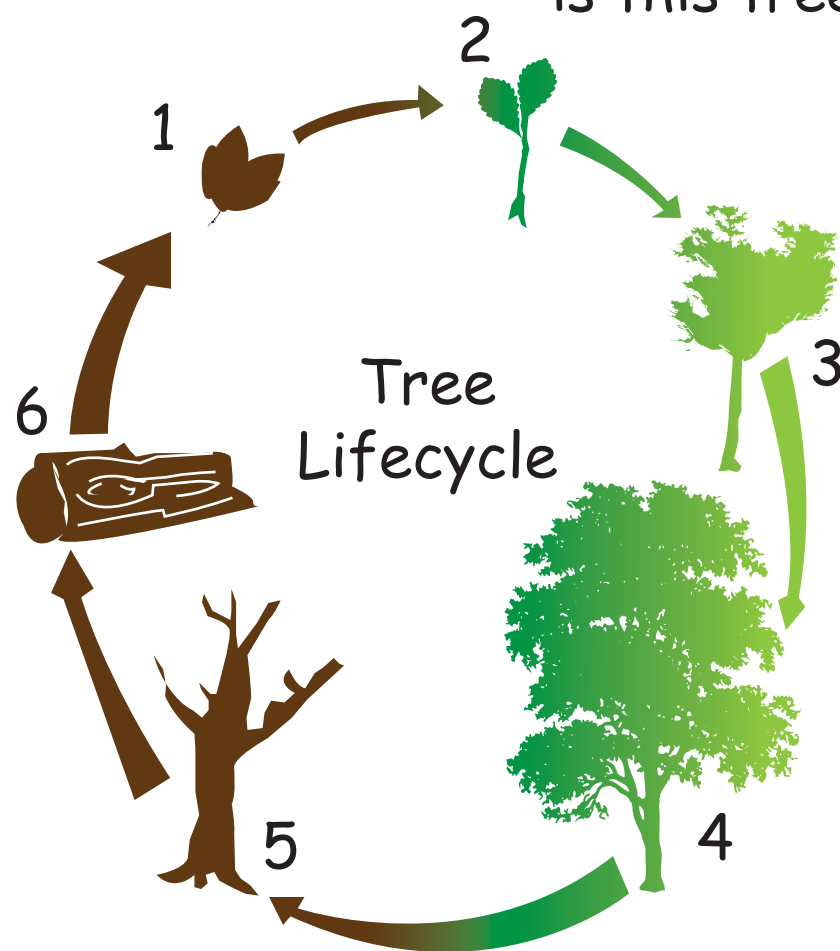
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At what stage of its lifecycle
is this tree at ?

(Tick the correct box)



1: Seed

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2: Sprout

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3: Sapling

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4: Mature
Tree

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5: Snag
(Dead Tree)

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6: Rotting
Log

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Tree No. 2

Name : _____

Please tick the correct box



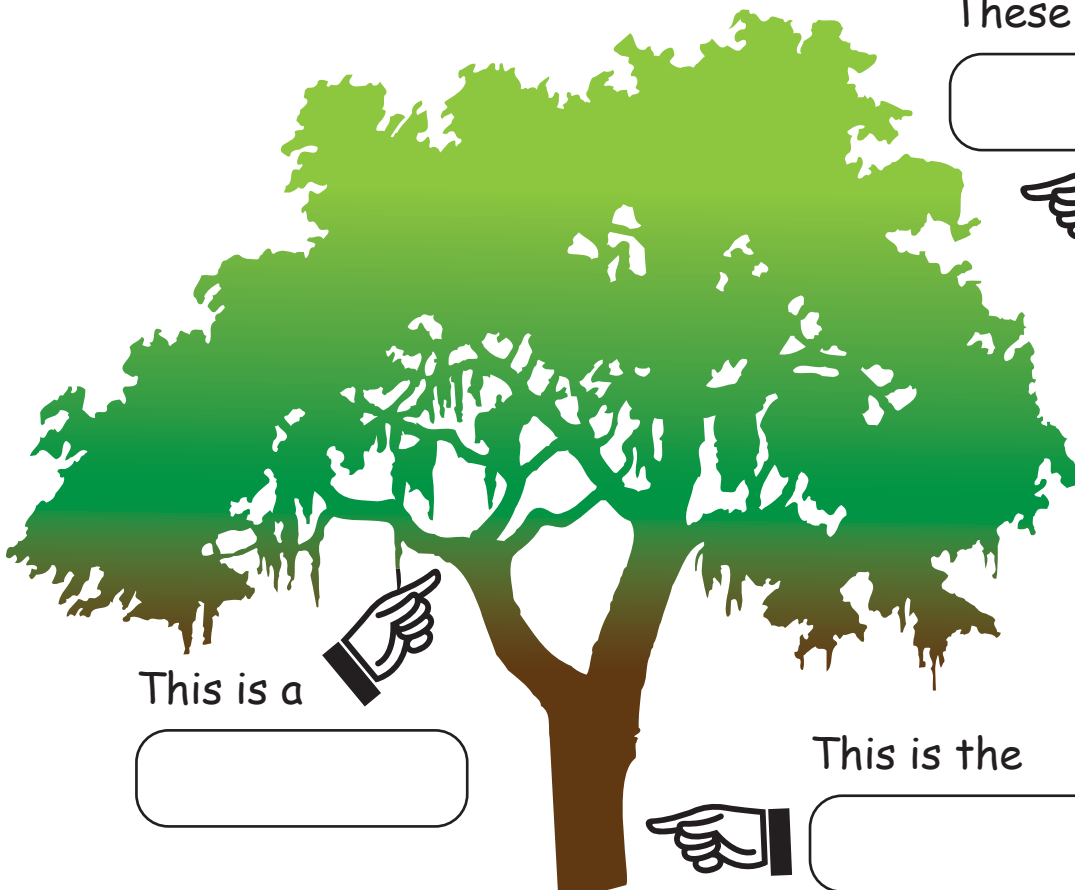
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These are



This is a

This is the



Word Bank

Leaves

Trunk

Branch

Tree No. 3

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Do You Know ?

The Ash is the most common tree in Ireland. It's seeds are known as "keys" and hang in bunches on the branch. It makes good firewood and its pale dense timber is also used for making hurley sticks, snooker cues and furniture.

Use of Ash Timber

1: Hurley Stick ☐

2: Electric Lamp ☐

3: Snooker Cue ☐

4: Furniture ☐

5: Door Key ☐

6: Television ☐

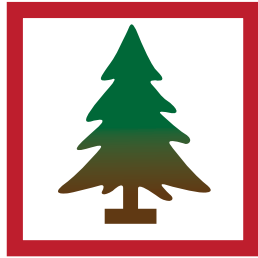
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How to tell the age of a tree

- 1 : Everyone hold hands around the trunk of the tree.
- 2 : Now form a straight line holding hands.
- 3 : Ask an adult to measure the length of the line, by putting one foot in front of the other.
- 4 : Each step is approximately is 30cms. The length of the formed line is the same as the circumference of the tree trunk.
- 5 : Each step = 12 years growth of the life of the tree

How old is this ancient tree ?

Tree No. 5

Name : _____

Please tick the correct box

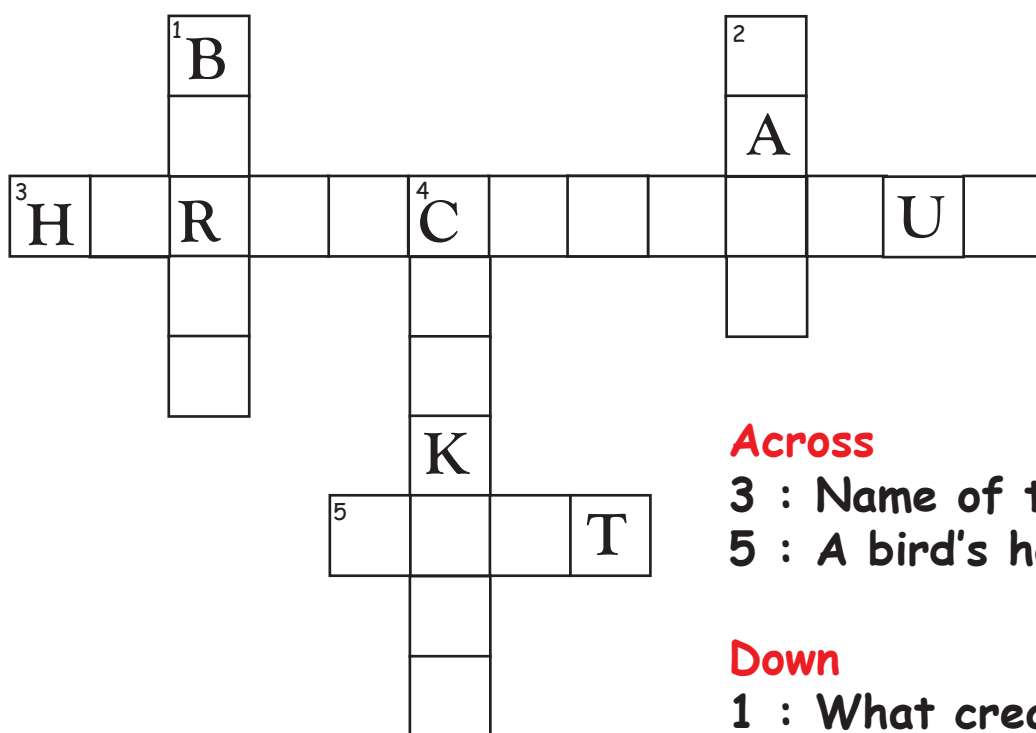


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Crossword Puzzle



Across

3 : Name of this tree

5 : A bird's home

Down

1 : What creatures build their homes in trees ?

2 : Name the mammals who live in the black box

4 : What children's game is played with the nuts of the Horsechestnut ?

Down
1 : Birds
2 : Bats
4 : Conkers

Across
3 : Horsechestnut
5 : Nest

Answers

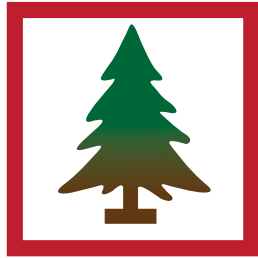
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Do You Know ?

The Yew tree is one of two native Irish evergreens. It can grow up to 2000 years of age which makes it the oldest living plant in Europe.

The Yew tree was sacred to the ancient Celts and is found in many graveyards and burial grounds.

In the middle ages the wood of Yew was used to make longbows.

Question

What was the wood of the Yew tree used for ?

Longbow

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Bicycle

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Hat

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(Please tick the correct box)

Tree No. 7

Name : _____

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Take a rubbing of the bark of the Sycamore in the box below.