

Temperature Comparison

How do plants change the temperature outside?

Plants look pretty, but they also help us be a comfortable temperature outside, especially on really hot days! This is because plants are really good at shading with their leaves. Plants can also use water to help cool us down, how cool is that?



Activity

Walk around outside and stand in different places where there are and aren't plants. Here are some examples:

- In your playground
- In a garden
- Under a tree
- Near a pond or stream (be careful and stay with your adult!)



What can you feel? Are some places warmer or colder than others? Do you think the plants are changing the temperature? If you have one, you could use a thermometer to measure the temperature and write it down, but our bodies are good at telling us if it's hot or cold too!