My Family Tree

A family tree shows the people in your family.
Make a family tree that shows the people in your family.

Step 1

Who are the people in your family?
Write the names of the people in your family in the box (include yourself!)

The People in My Family

What You'll Need:

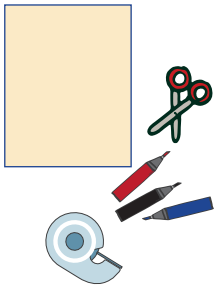
Paper

Crayons, pencil crayons or markers

Children's safety scissors

Tape or children's glue

Tree and leaf patterns on next page



Take it Further:

Look up pictures of Canada's flag. Together as a family, make Canada's flag by tracing or drawing a red Maple leaf.

Your ancestors are family members who lived long ago and were born before you. Sometimes your ancestors are called your family "roots." Add your ancestors to your family tree.

More Fun Things to Do

- Collect or take photos of each member of your family, or draw pictures of them. Make a family photo album.
- Go for a nature walk as a family. Collect leaves from trees. How many different kinds of leaves did you find? Count them.
- Put a leaf under a piece of paper. Shade over the leaf with a pencil or crayon by colouring the paper over the leaf. Watch the outline of the leaf appear on the page.
- Identify the leaves you collected. Look online to find out what tree they came from.

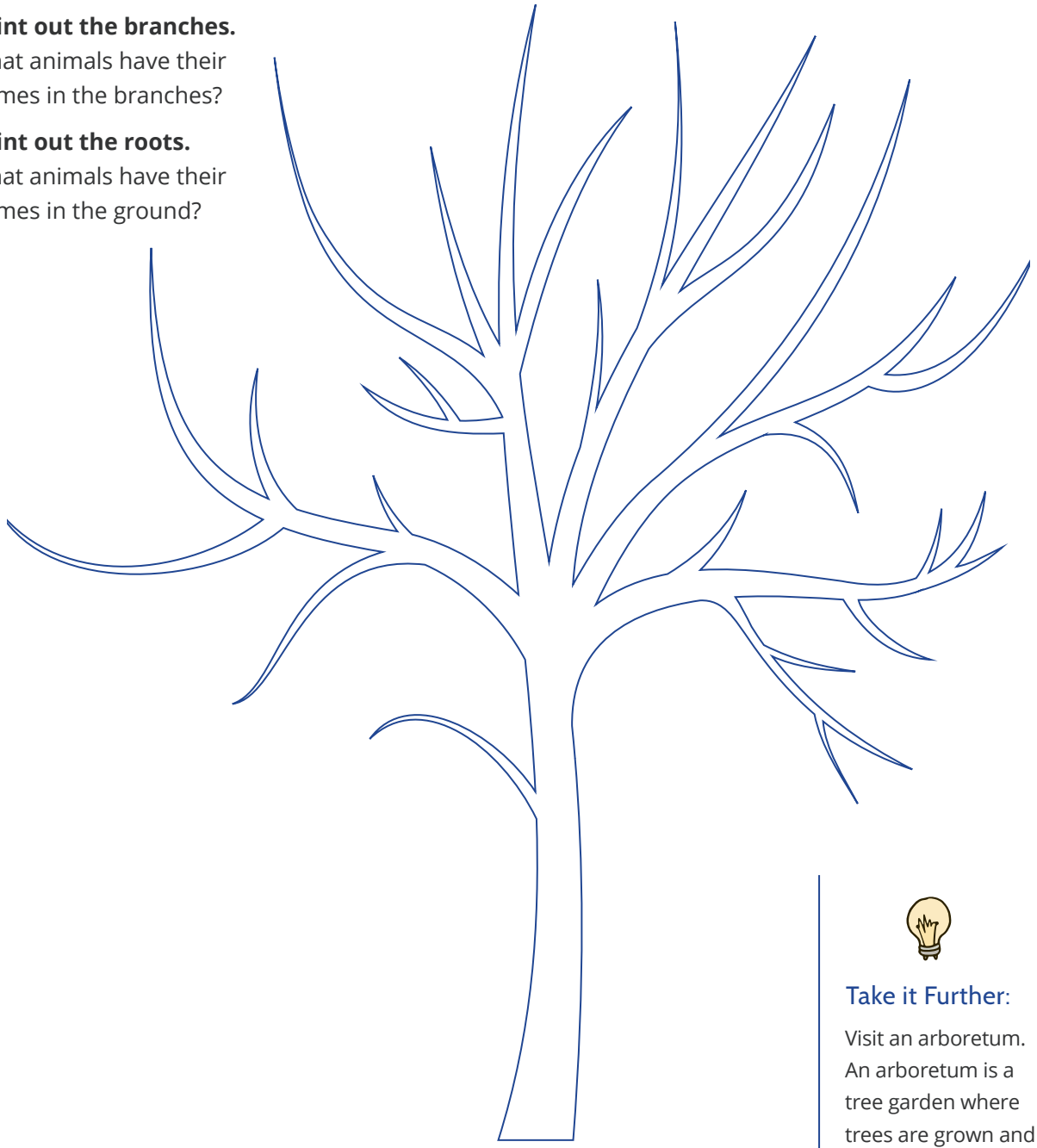
Step 2

Draw a tree or use the drawing below.

Point out the trunk.
What animals have their homes in the trunk of trees?

Point out the branches.
What animals have their homes in the branches?

Point out the roots.
What animals have their homes in the ground?



More Fun Things to Do

- Plant a tree with your family. Together research the type of tree to plant. Visit a Garden Centre, a place that grows and sells trees, to learn more.

Take it Further:

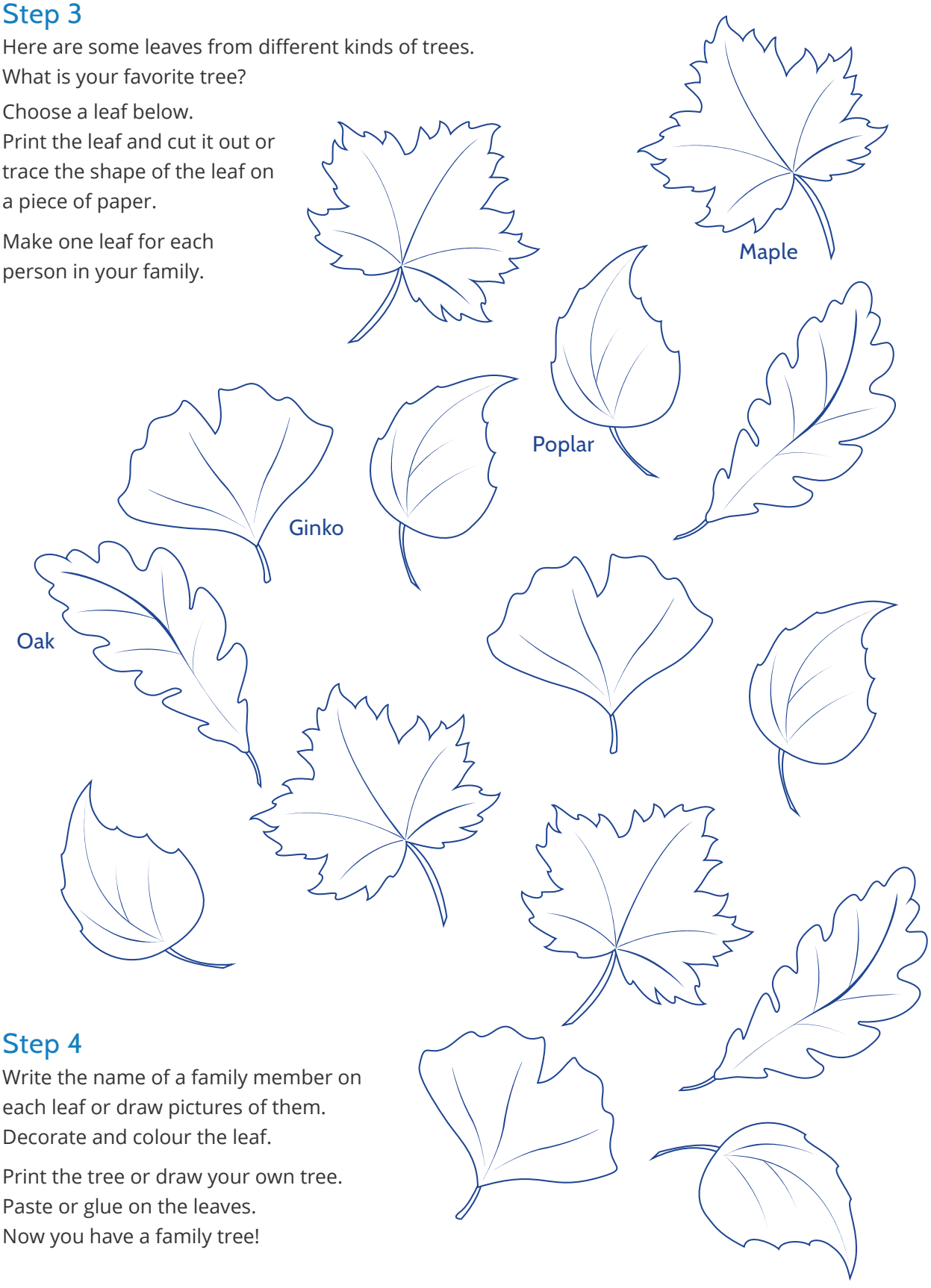
Visit an arboretum. An arboretum is a tree garden where trees are grown and collected. Search online to see if there is an arboretum in your community.

Step 3

Here are some leaves from different kinds of trees.
What is your favorite tree?

Choose a leaf below.
Print the leaf and cut it out or trace the shape of the leaf on a piece of paper.

Make one leaf for each person in your family.



Step 4

Write the name of a family member on each leaf or draw pictures of them.
Decorate and colour the leaf.

Print the tree or draw your own tree.
Paste or glue on the leaves.
Now you have a family tree!