

TORONTO BOTANICAL GARDEN and Edwards Gardens Adult ESL Tours VOCABULARY PACKAGE

Words that can be used to describe trees:

Twig	Evergreen- needles stay green all year round
Leaf	Deciduous- leaves drop off in the fall
Branch	Weeping- branches droop as if they are sad
Trunk	Shrub – small bush or tree
Roots	Hedge – row of small shrubs or bushes

Names of some of the flowers & trees that are in the park:

Deciduous trees

European Beech
Norway Maple
Japanese Maple
Red Oak
White Oak
Ginkgo
Littleleaf Linden
Northern Catalpa
Tulip Tree
Horse Chestnut
Magnolia
Paper Birch
Tulip Tree
Honeylocust
Saskatoon
Serviceberry
Weeping Mulberry
Black Walnut
Goldenchain Tree
Crabapple

Coniferous trees

Weeping Nootka False
Cypress
Colorado Blue Spruce
Norway Spruce
Korean Fir
Silver Fir
White Pine
Jack Pine
Red Pine
Larch
Dawn Redwood

Shrubs

Bamboo
Weigela
Beauty Bush
Redosier Dogwood
Rhododendron
Azalea

Annual plants

Impatiens
Snapdragon
Begonia
Marigold
Coleus
Cosmos
Cleome
Petunia

Perennial plants

Japanese Tree Peony
Jackman Clematis (vine)
Forget-me-not
Lamb's Ears
Ornamental Onion
Lungwort
Daylily
Primula
Lady's Mantle
Bleeding Heart
Shooting Star
Astilbe
Marsh Marigold

Birds in the park: Mallard Ducks, Canada Geese, Seagulls

Animals in the park: Squirrels, Chipmunks

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Some of the vocabulary that we use in the park:

River	Pioneers	Ancestor
Creek	Weeping	Descendant
Ravine/Valley	Elephant	Coniferous
Bridge	Spring	Deciduous
Mill	Native/non-native	Cultivar
Waterwheel	Symbol	Hybrid
Rock garden	Horticulture	Geology
Bog garden	Herb	Recreation
Greenhouse	Perennial	Historical Plaque
Tropical Plant	Annual	Ericaceous
History	Arboretum	Fragrance
Settlers	Fossil	Demonstration Garden

**Words that are sometimes confusing because they have more than one meaning
or are spelled two different ways:**

Spring: This word can have 4 meanings.

1. Spring the season of the year
2. Spring like in a coil of wire
3. Spring as in a verb to jump
4. Spring like a small body of water

Bark: It has 2 meanings.

1. Bark on the side of a tree trunk
2. Bark as a verb like a dog barks

Beech ... or Beach. Which is which?

1. Beech is the kind of a tree
2. Beach is where you go to sit on the sand by the water's edge.

Fir or Fur?

1. Fir is a kind of evergreen tree
2. Fur is the hair on an animal.

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