

HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION**INVESTIGATION 1: FALL TREES**

Read this out loud with your child, then do the activity together.

Think of a place near your home where there are trees. This should be a place where there are trees, but not too many trees to count. Your street, block, yard, or neighborhood park might be good choices. Without looking, estimate how many trees there are. Ask everyone in your family to guess the number of trees.

_____ thinks there are _____ trees.

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Next, go outside together and count the trees. Look at the kinds of trees you find.

Compare the bark, the leaves, and the shapes of the trees. Answer these questions.

- *How many trees did you find?*
- *How many different kinds of leaves did you find?*
- *Do you find any animals living in the trees?*
- *What do you find around the trees?*

Record what you saw.

We counted _____ trees.

We found