

Acacia

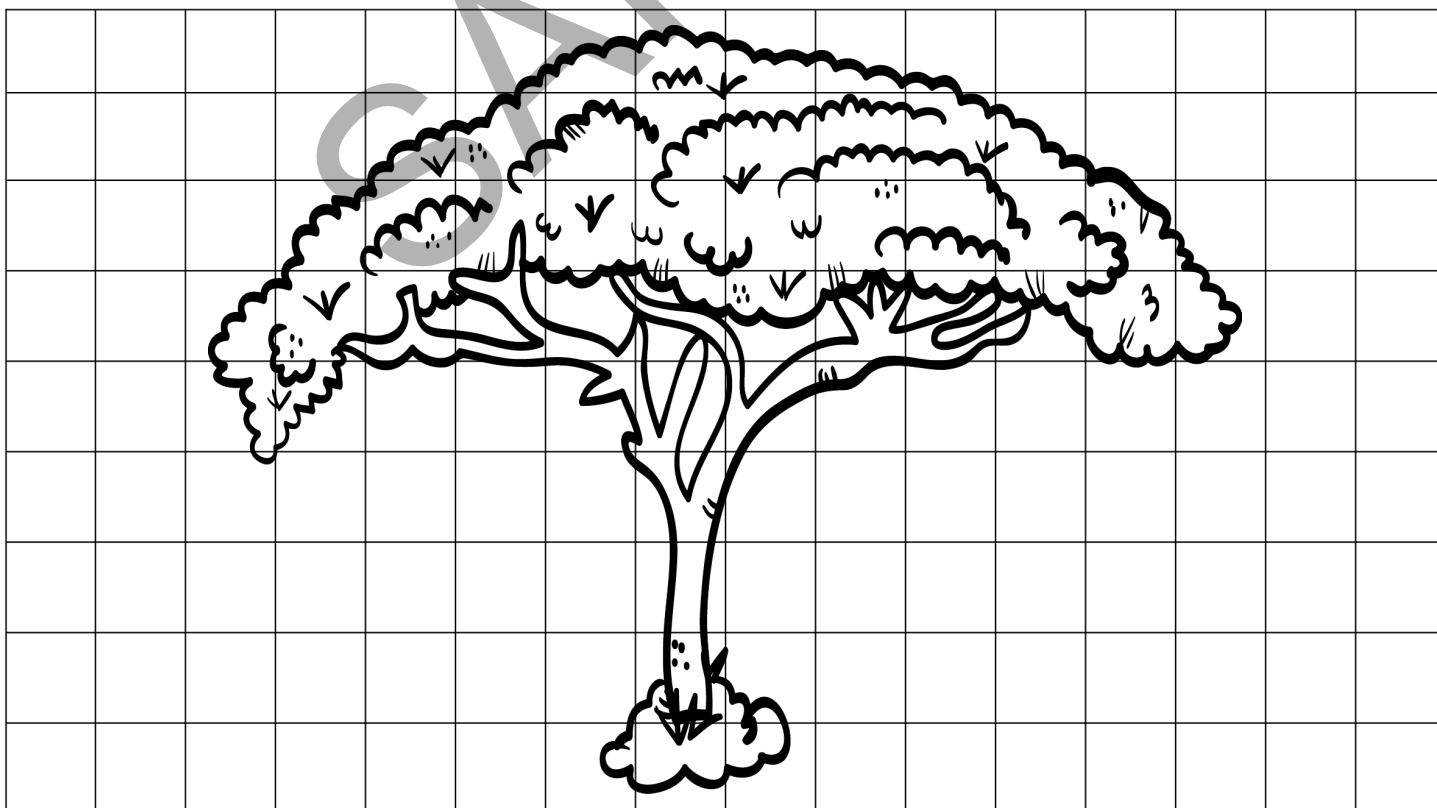
At least 160 or more different kinds of acacia trees grow around the world in places such as Australia, where they are called wattles; Africa; and in many other tropical and subtropical areas. One type of acacia tree, the sweet acacia, is native to the southwestern part of the United States.

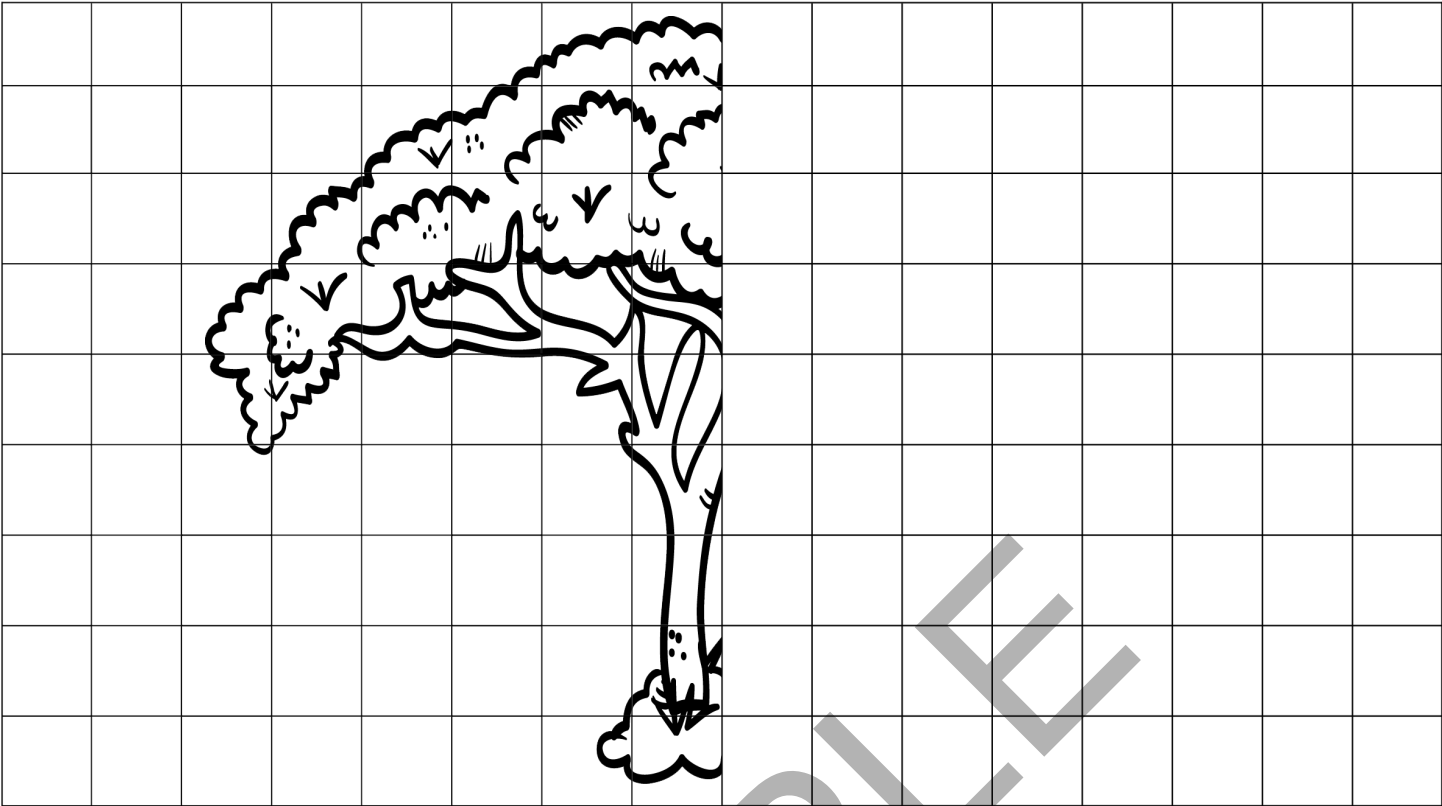
Acacia trees have leaves with such small divisions that they look feathery, similar to a fern. They also have small flowers that are usually yellow but can also be white. The flowers have a strong fragrance and a fuzzy appearance. The catclaw acacia grows in the American Southwest and is one of the types of acacia trees that have spines. The bullhorn acacia of Mexico is another acacia with spines. The spines on the bullhorn acacia grow in pairs and are partly hollow. Ferocious ants often live between the spines and attack other animals that try to live in the tree.

We get gum arabic from acacia trees and use it in many products such as adhesives, ink, and medicines. We also get tannin from the bark, which we use to tan leather and make certain dyes and inks.

Follow these instructions to draw an acacia tree on the next page like the one shown below:

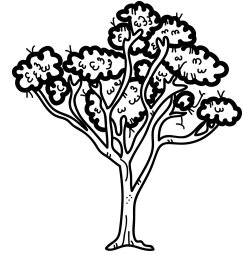
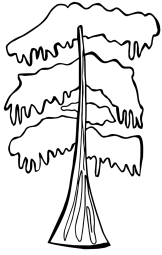
- Decide if you want to draw the right half of the picture or the left half of the picture and draw it in one of the first two grids. You can draw both if you'd like.
- Now, using a blank grid from the back of the book, try drawing the whole picture.



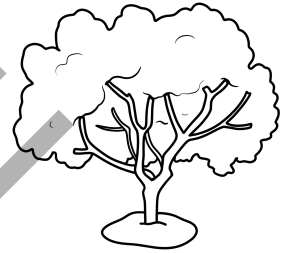
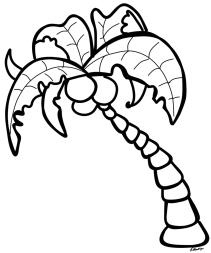


Identify the Tree

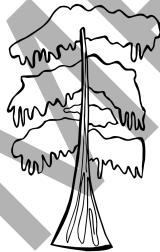
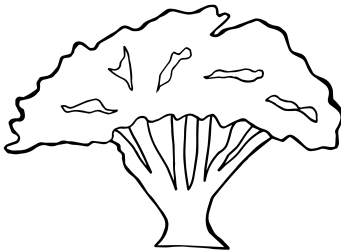
1. Which picture shows a bald cypress tree? Circle it.



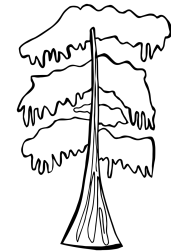
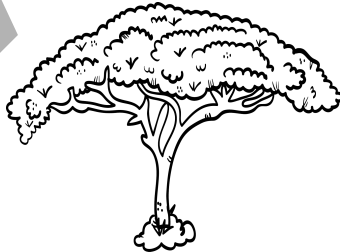
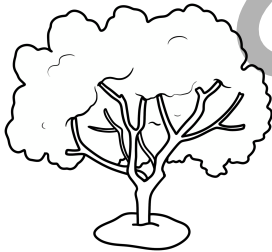
2. Which picture shows a cashew tree? Circle it.



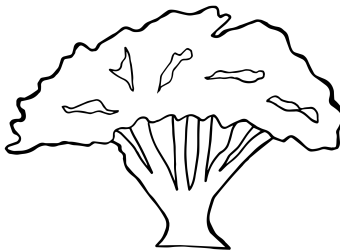
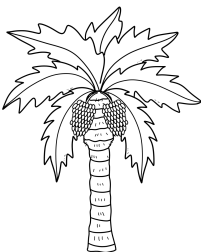
3. Which picture shows a palo verde tree? Circle it.

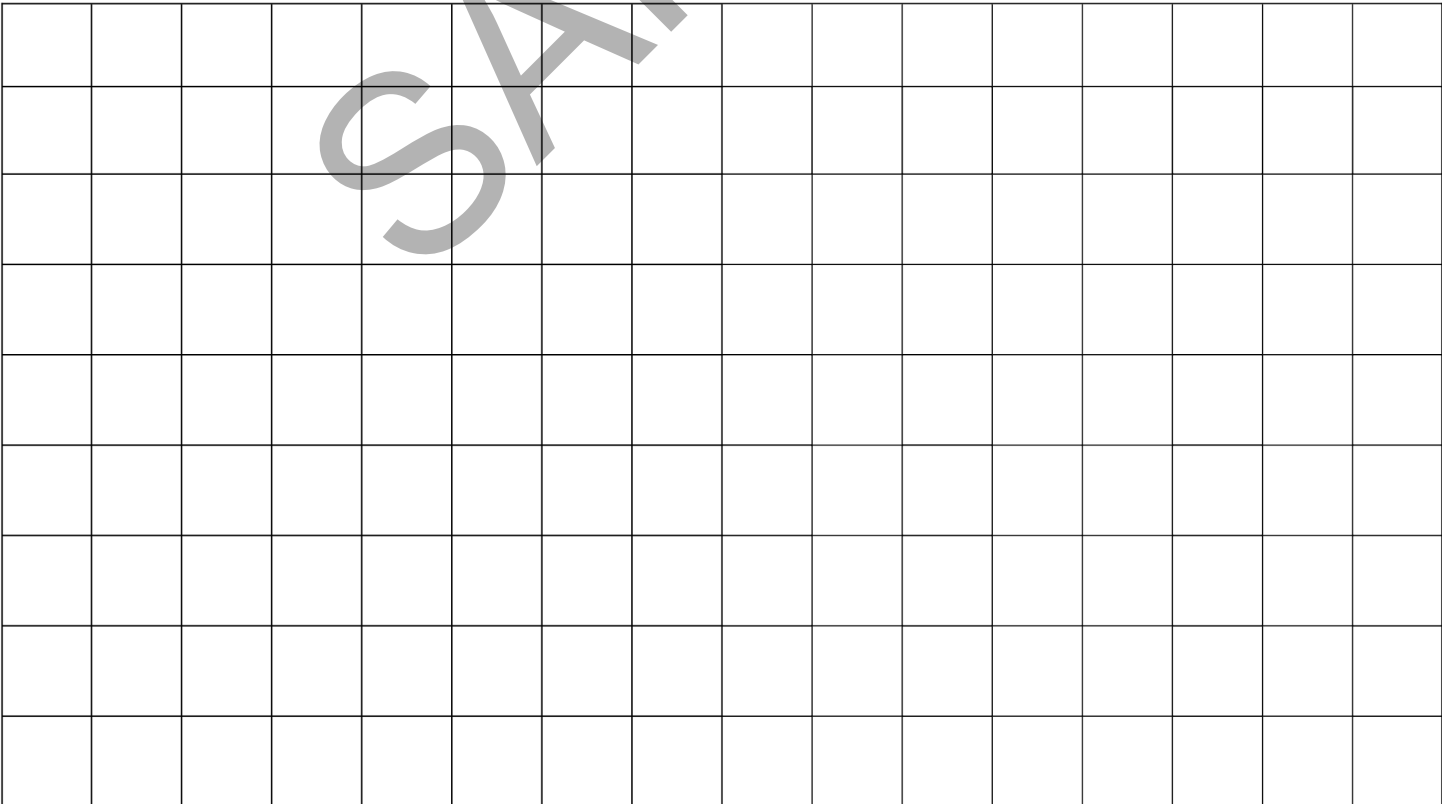
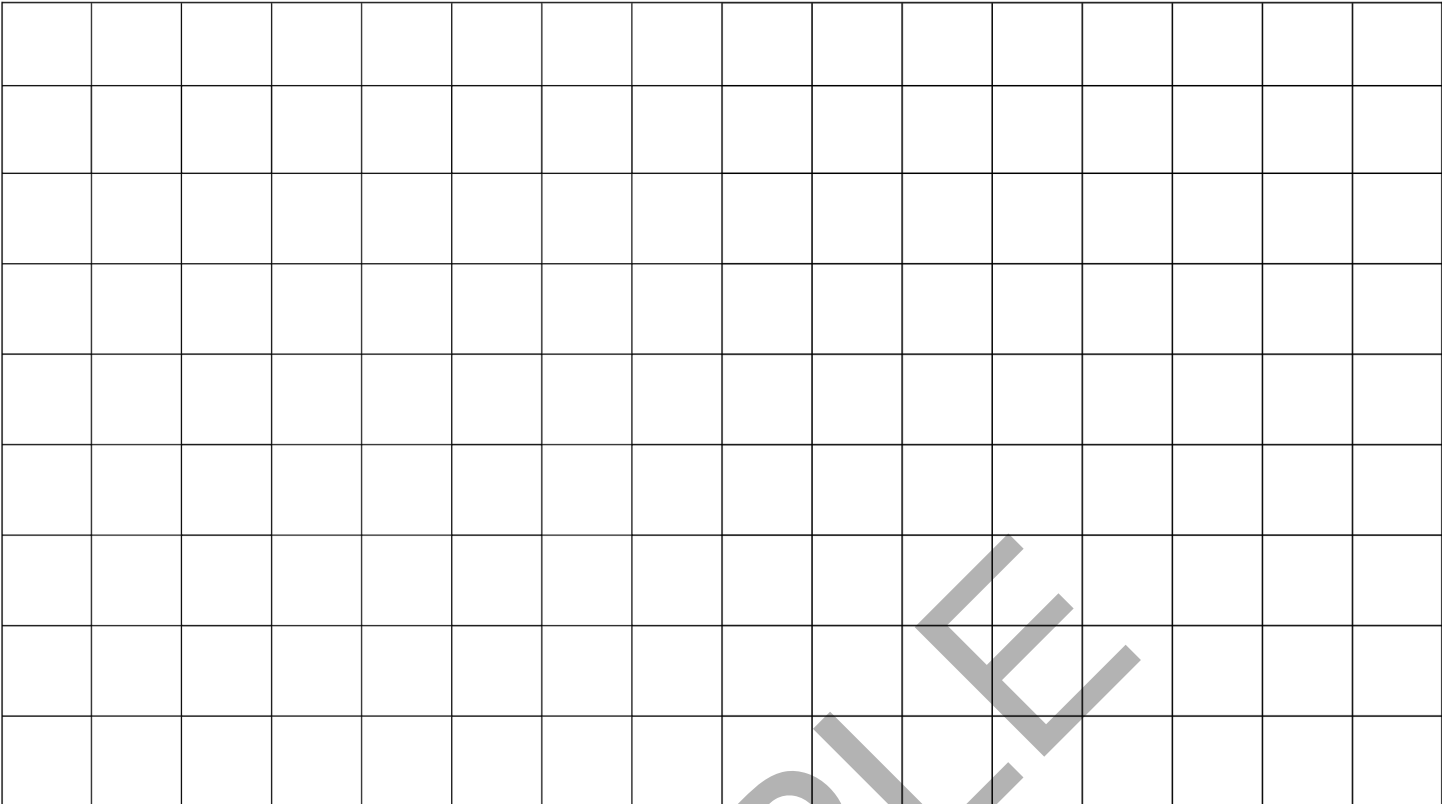


4. Which picture shows an acacia tree? Circle it.



5. Which picture shows a eucalyptus tree? Circle it.

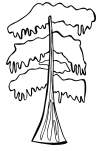




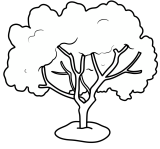
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Answer Key

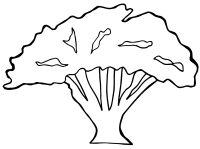
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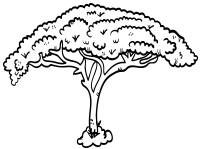
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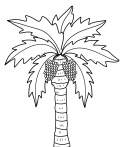
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