



Are you ready for the nature bingo challenge? Find all 16 objects on a bingo sheet to get a full house and win some points.

There are bingo sheets for each season and for places like the seashore too. Use our Anytime Anywhere bingo cards at any time of year. They contain 16 words for you to use as inspiration as you explore the natural world around you.

Take a photo of the object, leaving things as you found them afterwards, and once you have captured them all, why not make a montage of your finds? Share these with us via Twitter @CardiffCurator.

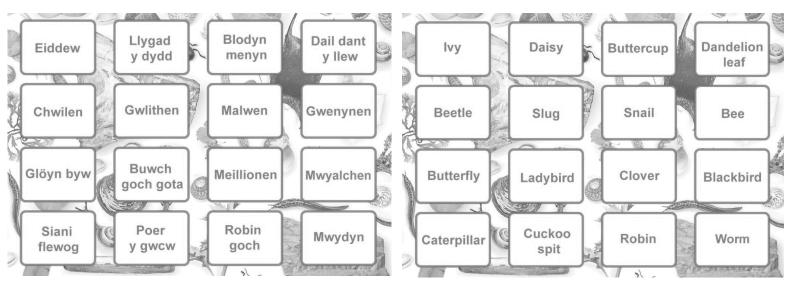
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For learners,
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Welsh language bingo
sheets on the same page.
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hints and help
pages.

#### 1 Gwanwyn – Spring



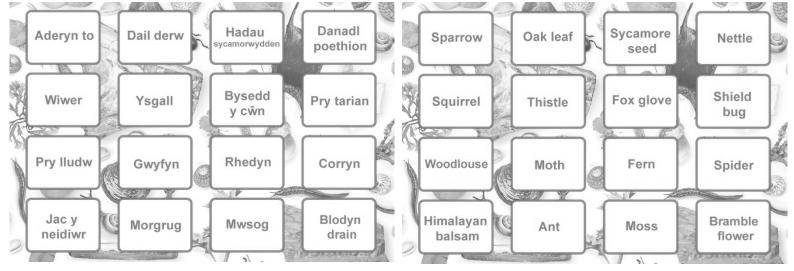
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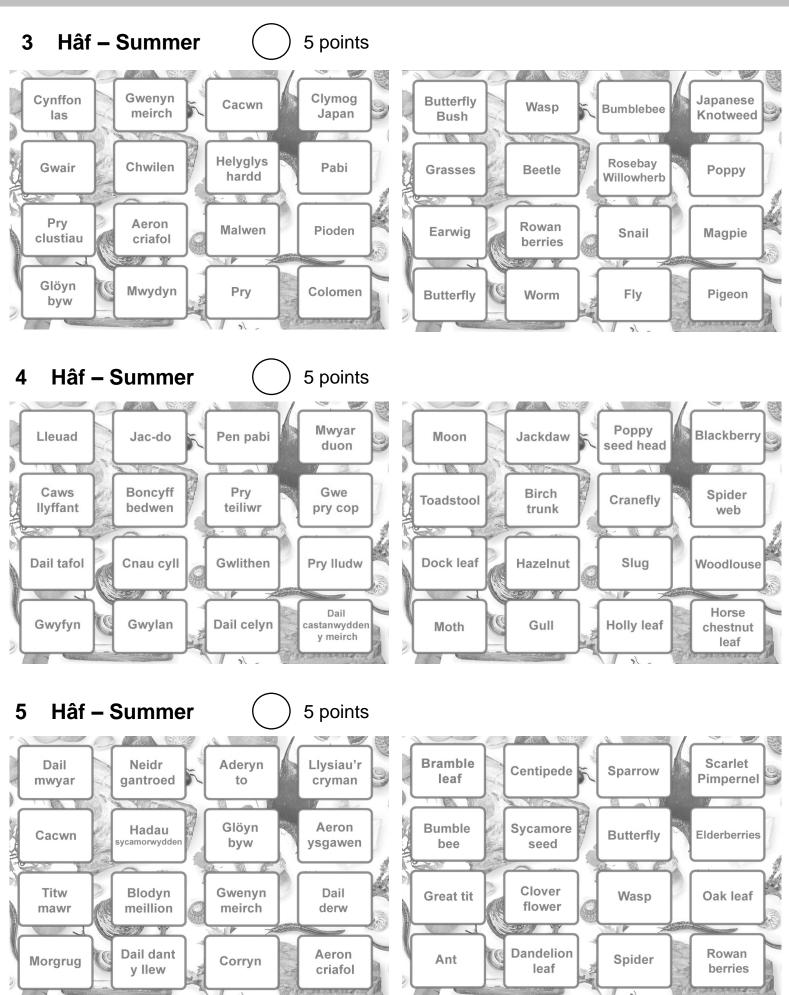
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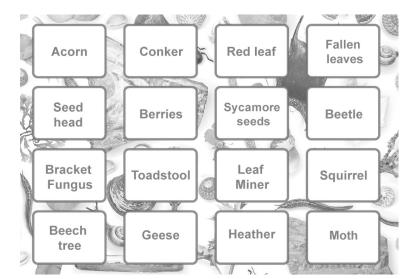


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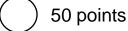
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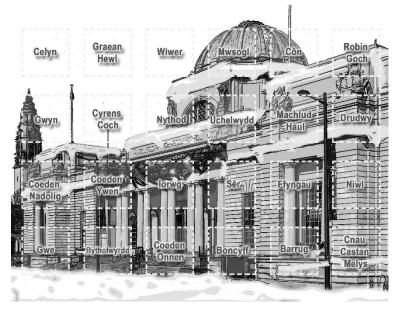


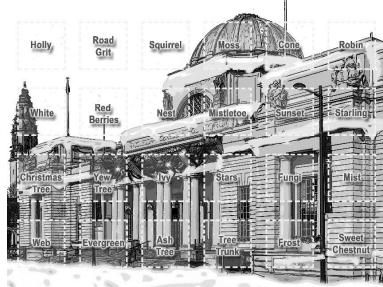




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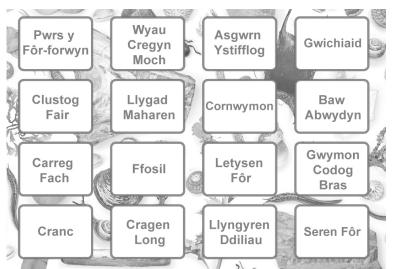


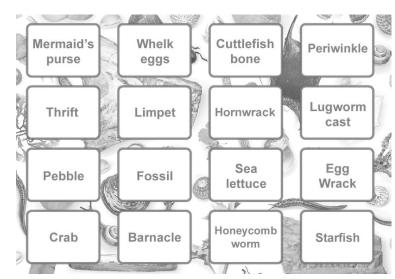


# 8 Lan y Môr - Seashore



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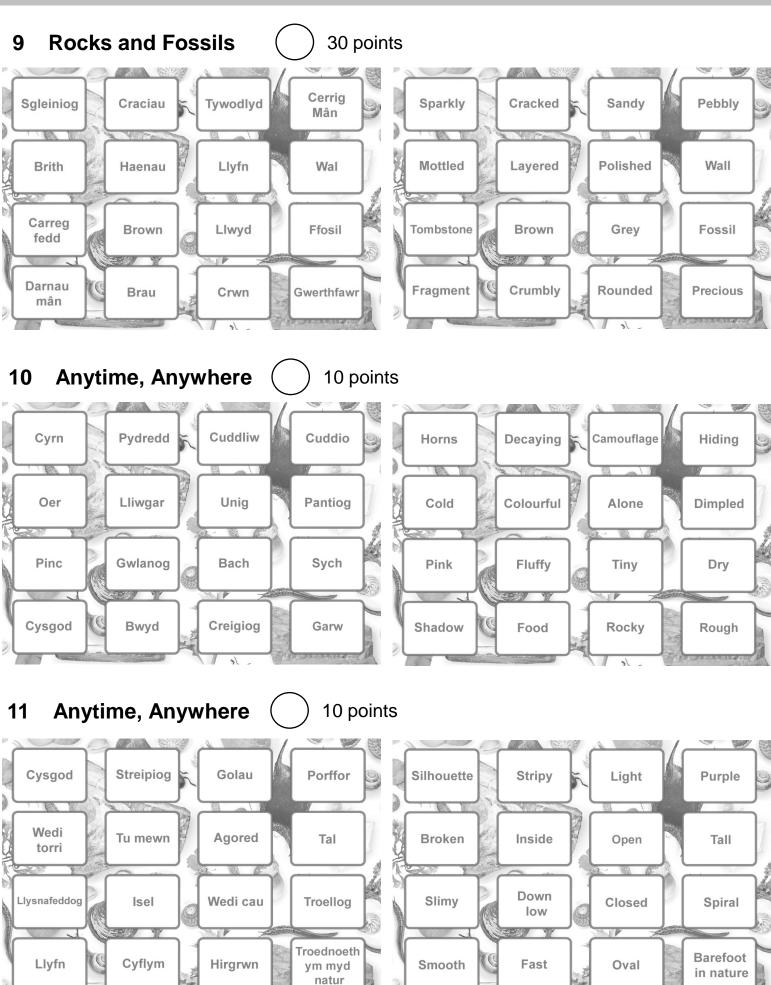








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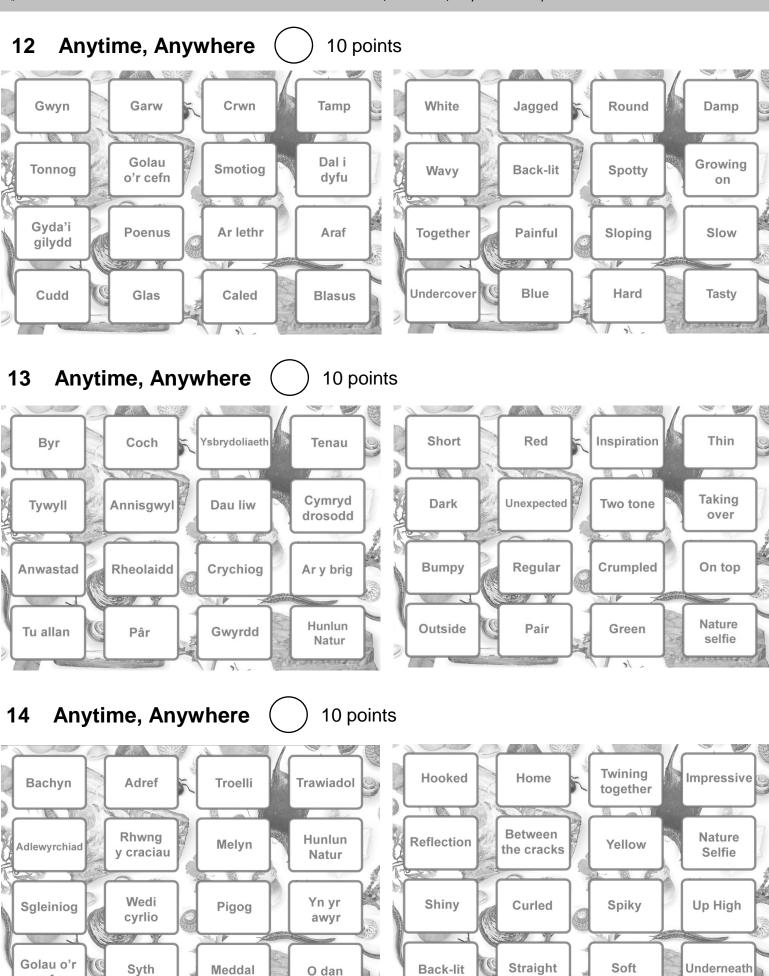


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# **Nature Photo Bingo**



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# Nature Photo Bingo Hints and help

# 1 Gwanwyn - Spring



**Cuckoo Spit** 

This is made by immature insects called froghoppers.



Peacock Butterfly Caterpillar

A caterpillar (Siani flewog or Lindysen) will one day transform into a glöyn byw, pili-pala, or iâr fach yr hâf!

#### 2 Hâf – Summer



#### **Himalayan Balsam**

Himalayan Balsam was brought to the UK in the 1800s. Unfortunately it crowds out other plants for space, light, nutrients and pollinators.

### 3 Hâf – Summer



**Rosebay Willowherb** 



#### Japanese Knotweed

This invasive plant can do damage to buildings and natural habitats. Look for it along rivers, railway lines and on derelict land. Its leaves alternate on zig zag stems.





#### **Butterfly Bush**

Butterfly Bush (Buddleia) is known as Cynffon las in Welsh, which translates as Blue Tail. The flower heads look like drooping tails and they can be covered in butterflies.



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#### 4 Hâf - Summer



#### **Jackdaw**

Jackdaws are small black crows which can be identified by the distinctive silvery grey sheen on the back of the head and by their pale eyes.



#### **Birch**

There are two common species of Birch tree in the UK: Silver (pictured) and Downy. Look out for catkins.



#### Toadstool

Toadstool is Caws Llyffant in Welsh, which means toad cheese! The name of this species is also foodrelated – Torth Felen (yellow loaf) – but it's actually poisonous!

## 5 Hâf - Summer



#### **Scarlet Pimpernell**

You can find Scarlet Pimpernell on sand dunes, in parks and gardens, and arable fields. Its small red flowers close in dull weather, giving it its other name of Shepherd's Weatherglass.





## Centipede

In Welsh, Centipede is 'Neidr gantroed' or snake with 100 feet!



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## 6 Hydref - Autumn



#### **Leaf Miner**

The larvae (young) of many different insects feed on leaves from the inside. To identify them, look at the plant & patterns they make as they work their way through the leaf.





#### Moth

At this time of year, moths can be found that camouflage against the Autumn leaves. Look for wings shaped like leaves. Look for fiery reds, oranges and yellows.



## Fungi

Beech woodlands of south east Wales are also a great place to look for fungi at this time of year.

#### 7 Gaeaf - Winter



#### Nest

Winter is a great time of year to spot nests such as those built by squirrels (drays) or rooks (rookeries). They become more obvious once the leaves start to fall.



#### Ash tree

Ash trees lose their leaves in winter but can

still be recognised by their black leaf buds. In spring these open to reveal new leaves.





#### Road grit

Grit is rock salt (sodium chloride crystals) derived from evaporated seawater, similar to salt we may put on our Christmas dinners!



# Nature Photo Bingo Hints and help

# Lan y Môr - Seashore



#### **Thrift**



Thrift is called Clustog Fair in Welsh, or Mary's Pillow. The plants grow in small mounds that look like cushions.



#### **Hornwrack**

Hornwrack may look like seaweed but it is actually a bryozoan moss animal! They are made up of a colony of tiny individuals called zooids, which you may be able to see using a magnifying glass. Find pieces washed ashore on the strandline.

## 9 Rocks and Fossils



**Fragments** 

Many limestones contain abundant fossil 'fragments'. This cobble is jam-packed with the fragments of sea lilies (crinoids).

#### **Rocks and Fossils**



#### Layered

The Lavernock cliffs have layers ('beds') that show differences in the size and composition of the grains which make up the sedimentary rocks. What can you find to represent layered?



#### **Pebbly**

This sandstone pebble is an example of 'layered' with fine layers of quartz grains in between layers of iron-rich grains.



#### **Mottled**



Mottled is 'Brith' in Welsh. You may have come across this word before: Bara Brith = mottled bread!