Appendix A: Dendrology "The Study of Tree and Shrubs and their identifying characteristics"

Terms you need to know:

leaflet - the leaf like part or blade of a compound leaf

petiole - the leaf stem (between the twig and the leaf)

simple - a leaf with one leaflet per petiole

compound - a leaf with more than 1 leaflet per petiole

node - a growth point along the twig

opposite - a tree where there are two leaves growing directly across from or (opposite) one another at the same node

alternate - a tree with only one leaf at each node alternating back and forth on the twig