Equipment

Paper
Wax crayons or colouring pencils (wax crayons work best)
Masking tape
A tree - ideally with a width of at least 15cm.

How to make your bark rubbing

Make sure your tree is in a safe location before you begin. Place the piece of paper over the bark of your tree, at a comfortable height for working. You can use the masking tape to secure the paper in place. Use the crayons to rub over the bark of the tree to make a pattern on the paper. Try experimenting by pressing hard and soft on the paper. Try using different colours.

Different types of tree have different patterns in their bark. Look for other trees that you could make a bark rubbing from. See what different patterns you can make. Find out what type of tree it is and label your picture.