

# TAKE THE TREE QUIZ

1. Which tree is the Utah State Tree?  
A. Rocky Mountain Juniper  
B. Blue Spruce  
C. Big Tooth Maple  
D. Box Elder

2. Which tree has its needles in bundles of 2 or more?  
A. Blue Spruce  
B. Douglas Fir  
C. Austrian Pine  
D. White Fir

3. Which tree would you choose for rapid growth?  
A. Bur Oak  
B. Hybrid Poplar  
C. American Beech  
D. Red Maple

4. To help avoid future tree/sidewalk conflicts, which tree would be best to plant near a sidewalk?  
A. Red Oak  
B. Silver Maple

5. Which tree would provide the greatest shade at maturity?  
A. Sugar Maple  
B. Northern Catalpa  
C. Sweetgum  
D. Goldenrain Tree

6. Which tree would be most likely to attract wildlife to your yard?  
A. White Fir  
B. American Mountainash  
C. Live Oak  
D. Purpleleaf Sand Cherry



*Blue Spruce, Willow Creek Park  
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*Goldenrain Tree*

7. To provide cooling shade in the summer which would be the best side of the house at which to plant large deciduous trees?

- A. Southeast
- B. Southwest
- C. West
- D. North

8. Which tree would be best for planting 10' from a one-story building?

- A. Goldenrain Tree
- B. Red Oak
- C. Blue Spruce
- D. Dawn Redwood

9. Which tree is most appropriate to plant beneath or in close proximity to overhead utility lines?

- A. Hybrid Poplar
- B. Redbud
- C. Norway Spruce
- D. None of the above

10. Which Tree would be best suited for planting in a parking lot?

- A. Weeping Willow
- B. American Mountainash
- C. Scarlet Oak
- D. Lacebark Elm

# Tree Quiz Answers

1. Which tree is the Utah State Tree?  
B. Blue Spruce - They grow extensively in Utah forests.
2. Which tree has its needles in bundles of 2 or more?  
C. Austrian Pine - Pine trees will always have two or more needles in a bundle. Spruce and fir only have one.
3. Which tree would you choose for rapid growth?  
B. Hybrid Poplar - This is perhaps the fastest growing tree, putting on 5 to 8 feet per year. It is a short-lived tree, weak-wooded and most appropriate to open areas because its root system can cause problems.
4. To help avoid future tree/sidewalk conflicts, which tree would be best to plant near a sidewalk?  
A. Red Oak - Red Oak trees are deep-rooted, which is a better choice to prevent sidewalk damage.
5. Which tree would provide the greatest shade at maturity?  
A. Sugar Maple - These trees have high leaf density and branching characteristics that combine to allow little solar penetration and provide lots of shade.
6. Which tree would be most likely to attract wildlife to your yard?  
D. Purpleleaf Sand Cherry - Purpleleaf Sand Cherry provide a summer fruit for wildlife.
7. To provide cooling shade in the summer which would be the best side of the house at which to plant large deciduous trees?  
B. Southwest - Trees planted to the southeast, southwest, or west sides of the house provide cooling shade in summer and don't obstruct the low winter sun.
8. Which tree would be best for planting 10' from a one-story building?  
A. Goldenrain Tree - This is a small and slow growing tree.
9. Which tree is most appropriate to plant beneath or in close proximity to overhead utility lines?  
B. Redbud - The Redbud tree only grows 25 feet tall. It has beautiful spring flowers and purple or pink leaves.
10. Which Tree would be best suited for planting in a parking lot?  
D. Lacebark Elm - This is a strong wood, no messy fruit, loses its leaves, and provides a good crown for shade in summer.

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