

A number of plants can grow in small cracks and on rough surfaces, such as tree bark and walls - mosses, lichens and some grasses and wildflowers.

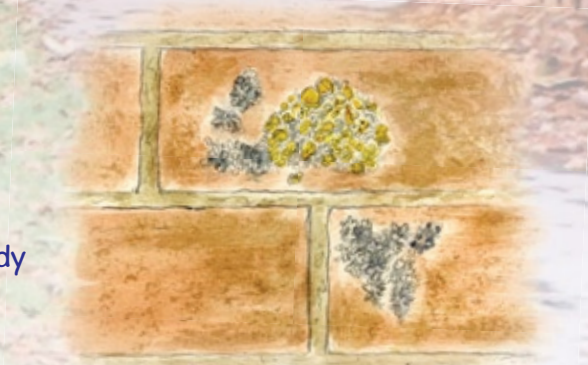
Mosses are green and look sort of 'furry'. Lichens are strange-looking plants, usually growing flat and brown or grey-green in colour.

Look out for mosses and lichens on walls and pavements.

Which parts of your route have the most mosses and lichens?

Are they growing in damp, shady areas or dry, open areas?

Can you see any grasses or wildflowers trying to grow in small cracks?



*Lichen growing on a wall*



*Moss growing at the edge of the pavement*



Discuss what you see with your walking companions.