

IDENTIFYING ALIENS!

By finding out where these plants are growing we shall learn more about where they like to live, and how good they are at invading.

- a. Mark out a 50m long x 10m wide stretch of your river bank.
- b. Use your alien invaders picture sheet (which you can download [here](#)) to decide whether you have any of the 6 bank raiders within your area. Tick those you find on the recording from below.
- c. For each alien record the following information:
 - i. How far from the bank is it growing? Tick the appropriate distance box on the table.
(If you find more than one plant of the same species, you may need to tick extra distance boxes.)
 - ii. How steep is the ground where the plant is growing? Use your shape measurer to find out, and tick the appropriate slope box (or boxes) on the table.
 - iii. Which other plants are growing next to the aliens? Are they trees, bushes or non-woody plants? Tick the plant boxes on the recording sheet.