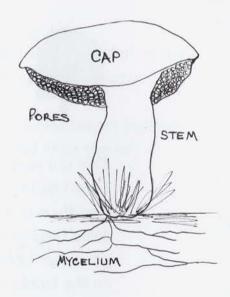
The whole of the fungus which you can see above the earth or on the wood is called the FRUIT-BODY. To be a really good Fungus Detective you have to then look very carefully at each part of the fruit-body, starting at the top.

What COLOUR is the CAP?
Is it STICKY?, or SMOOTH? or
SCALEY?

Now look at the STEM (also called the STIPE)

How LONG is the STEM?
How WIDE is the STEM?
How does it feel — SMOOTH or
ROUGH?
What COLOUR is the STEM?



NEVER, EAT,
TASTE, NOR BITE a
fungus when you find
one because some
fungi are POISONOUS and could
make you very, very, ill!

Now look underneath the CAP Does the fungus have

GILLS,or PORES, or SPINES?

What colour are the GILLS or PORES or SPINES?

