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Why Does Moss Grow On Everything

It was a sunny beautiful day in October (10/29/21) at the summit of south mountain Pawtuckaway state park. It was around 11:30 in the morning and sunny. I couldn't ask for a better day. I got to the top of the summit to see a lot of green splotches on almost every single tree. I looked closer and noticed it was MOSS! I am curious about why moss grows on everything. I wondered how it might have gotten there too, like if it spreads, if something is laying next to it or if it just grows on everything.

I found out it grows on everything because moss spores are in the air. Moss spores latch onto everything to make moss grow on everything. Moss can survive through basically everything that comes at it. It can survive droughts, rain, tornadoes, hurricanes and snow. Moss thrives in the spring and summer because moss love warmer temperatures. Moss grows more in shade. Moss mostly grows in soil, it will spread faster. Some moss grow in poorly drained soil to trap moisture because moss love moisture and soak up water. Moss also loves to grow in condensation and trap moisture.

Since I could learn a lot about Moss I still have a question. Can moss change color? To keep observations of moss I could look and observe moss whenever I see moss in my yard.

What I learned about Moss is that it grows on almost everything because there are moss spores in the air. I really liked learning about moss. I thought it was interesting.

<https://www.natureslawn.com/all-about-moss/>

