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# Why We Love Trees

Circle group

Trees help us. A tree gives shade. I sit under it. I feel cool.

Some trees give fruit, like pears. Birds make nests in trees. Squirrels run up the trunk.

We make paper and tables from wood.

## Questions

**1. What does a tree give on a hot day?**

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**2. What fruit is named?**

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**3. Who makes nests in trees?**

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**4. What do we make from wood?**

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**5. Why do I feel cool under a tree?**

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## Words to know

shade: a cool place out of the sun
fruit: a sweet food that grows on a plant
wood: the hard material a tree is made of

## Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.

3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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# Why We Love Trees

Triangle group

Trees help us in many ways. A tree gives shade on a hot day. I sit under it and feel cool. Some trees give fruit, like pears. Birds build nests in the branches. Squirrels run up the trunk. People use wood from trees to make paper and tables. Trees are good friends.

## Questions

**1. What does a tree give on a hot day?**

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**2. What fruit does a tree give in the story?**

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**3. Who builds nests in the branches?**

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**4. What do people make from wood?**

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**5. Why do I feel cool under a tree?**

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## Words to know

shade: a cool place out of the sun
fruit: a sweet food that grows on a plant
branches: the arms of a tree that grow out from the trunk
wood: the hard material a tree is made of

## Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

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# Why We Love Trees

Square group

Trees help us in so many different ways. On a very hot day, a tree gives us cool shade, and I like to sit under it to rest.

Some trees grow sweet fruit, such as pears. Birds build their nests among the branches, and squirrels scamper up and down the trunk.

People also use the wood from trees to make useful things like paper and tables. Trees truly are good friends.

## Questions

**1. What does a tree give us on a very hot day?**

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**2. What sweet fruit do some trees grow, in the passage?**

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**3. Which animals build nests among the branches?**

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**4. What useful things do people make from wood?**

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**5. Why is it cool when I sit under a tree?**

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## Words to know

shade: a cool place out of the sun
fruit: a sweet food that grows on a plant
branches: the arms of a tree that grow out from the trunk
wood: the hard material a tree is made of

## Talk together (every group has these)

1. Find one fact that every group read. How did your sheet say it?
2. What did your sheet tell you that you think another group's did not? Ask them.
3. What is one question about this topic that none of the sheets answered?

# For the teacher: Why We Love Trees

Each student sheet carries a shape, not a level. The same topic and facts, written three ways.

### Circle: Why We Love Trees

Easier · 37 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade -0.7

1. Shade.
2. Pears.
3. Birds.
4. Paper and tables.
5. The shade blocks the sun.

### Triangle: Why We Love Trees

This passage · 52 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 0.6

1. Shade.
2. Pears.
3. Birds.
4. Paper and tables.
5. The tree blocks the sun and gives shade.

### Square: Why We Love Trees

Harder · 71 words · Flesch-Kincaid grade 3.7

1. Cool shade.
2. Pears.
3. Birds.
4. Paper and tables.
5. The tree blocks the sun and gives shade.