

Three Cheers for Trees

Things to Do Together

We are exploring all the wonderful things that trees provide, such as food, wood products, fresh air, and shade. Here are some activities you and your child can do together:

- Go on a tree “treasure hunt” with your child. Search around the house for things that come from trees.
- Take a trip to a lumberyard or woodworking shop and look at wood from different kinds of trees.
- Visit a furniture store or music store and look for things made of wood.
- If you are a carpenter, whittler, or craftsman who works with wood, consider sharing your craft with your child.
- Plant a tree seedling or seed to celebrate a special occasion or to recognize the importance of trees.
- Ask grandparents about wooden toys, tools, and utensils that they remember from their youth.

→ **Family, Friends, and Forests:** Talk about all the things we get from forests, including wood, foods, fresh air, and places to play.



Some trees and plants have a rough life. Children can help care for them by watering during dry spells or spreading compost or mulch to provide nutrients. Ask at your local library or community center where you can help care for trees, plants, or gardens in your community.

Help build your child’s vocabulary by using some of these new words in your conversations:

We are reading the following books. Check them out from your library, and invite your child to share them with you.

