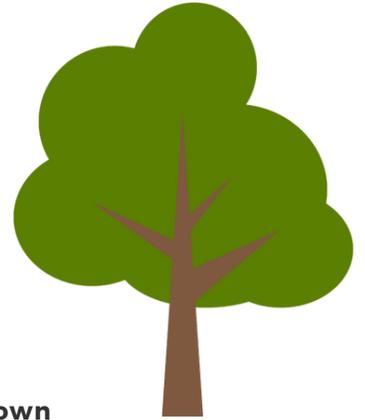


DIY STORYTIME

THEME: TREES

Here are some ideas and activities to try this week with your child. These five practices are designed to help your child develop literacy skills, engage your child, and enhance the bonds between you.



READ

[Franklin Plants a Tree by Sharon Jennings](#)
[When Grandma Gives you a Lemon Tree by Jamie Deenihan](#)
[Balance the Birds by Susie Ghahremani](#)
[In My Tree by Sara Gillingham](#)
[Stuck by Oliver Jeffers](#)
[Froggy Builds a Tree House by Jonathan London](#)
[Tap the Magic Tree by Christie Matheson](#)
[We're Going on a Leaf Hunt by Steve Metzger](#)
[Pick a Pine Tree by Patricia Toht](#)
[Shake the Tree! by Chiara Vignocchi](#)

TALK

Talk about words that begin with the letter T, like "tree". Practice saying these words in funny voices (for example, robot, mouse, dinosaur, etc.).

PLAY

Play I Spy outside. Can you spy some trees? What color are their leaves?

Do a yoga tree pose. Balance on one leg while placing the sole of your opposite foot along the inside of your standing leg. How long can you hold it? Try switching sides.

SING

All the Leaves are Falling Down

(Tune: London Bridge is Falling Down)

All the leaves are falling down
Falling down, falling down.
All the leaves are falling down,
It is fall time.

They are yellow, red and brown,
Red and brown, red and brown.
They are yellow, red and brown.
It is fall time.

Take the leaves and crunch them up,
Crunch them up, crunch them up.
Take the leaves and crunch them up.
It is fall time.

Watch them drifting to the ground,
To the ground, to the ground.
Watch them drifting to the ground.
It is fall time.

WRITE

Lay a leaf under a piece of paper and use a crayon to rub back forth over the paper, creating a leaf rubbing.

Pick up a Take & Make kids craft from the library and make your own puzzle pieces fall tree.