

# All About Trees

## Mini Lesson Plan

<b>Lesson</b>	Do you know your trees?	40-minute lesson
<b>Learning Outcomes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To understand why trees are important to us</li> <li>To be able to identify different trees</li> <li>To learn about how trees grow</li> </ul>	
<b>Resources Needed</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Leaf Identification Sheet</li> <li>Tree Crafts Teacher Resource</li> <li>Extension Task - Learning Through Trees Activity Book</li> </ul>	

*Adaption maybe required for student with any additional needs*

	<b>Outline</b>	<b>Resources</b>
<b>Introduction</b> 5mins	<p>We all know what trees are, but what use do they have? – Class Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wood used for fuel</li> <li>Wood used to build and make things</li> <li>Habitats and food for wildlife</li> <li>Food for humans</li> <li>Shelter / Shade</li> <li>Produce oxygen</li> <li>Land management – erosion / water retention</li> <li>Fun – climbing, sitting under</li> </ul>	
<b>Activity 1 – Identifying/ Naming Trees</b> 15mins	<p>But not all trees are the same! How do you think we can identify different trees?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bark</li> <li>Leaves</li> <li>Seeds/Fruit</li> </ul> <p><b>Activity</b> Choose how you will be identifying your trees and in groups/pairs - explore the area/school grounds and collect as many different items as possible. Use the Identification Sheet to match them to their name and compare what each group has found and if they matched them correctly. This could be developed into a game of bingo. <i>(Not all trees are on here as we have selected the most likely ones to be found.)</i></p>	Identification Sheets
<b>Activity 2 – Tree Crafts</b> 15mins	<p>After collecting your chosen theme think about ways of using them to further engage the students. These ideas and more are all in the teacher resource –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Symmetry</li> <li>Rubbings</li> <li>Characters</li> <li>Colours</li> </ul>	Tree Crafts Teacher Resource (Other resources will depend on the craft chosen)
<b>Plenary –</b> 5mins	What do you know about trees now that you didn't before? – Class Discussion	
<b>Extension Task</b>	We have also created a learning through trees activity book. This could be used independently, across multiple learning experiences or as a home learning activity.	Learning Through Trees Activity Book