

Trees and Leaves Activities for Friday

On the Move

Leaf Crawl

This leaf obstacle course will bring hours of fun to your child!

Materials:

- String
- Paper
- Scissors
- String
- Two dining chairs

Instructions:

1. Place two dining chairs apart (facing back to back), leaving a space large enough to crawl through.
2. Tape the ends of a piece of string to each of the chairs.
3. Cut large leaf shapes from paper and tape them to the string so that they hang down into the crawl space beneath the string.
4. Encourage your child to crawl through the obstacle course and see how fast they can make it through.

Adventures Online

Grow Your Colors

Play this interactive game to learn about growing fruits & vegetables.

<https://www.sesamestreet.org/games?id=269>

Sensory Time

Bark Rubbing

This simple but fun activity is a fascinating way to investigate trees.

Materials:

- Large piece of paper
- Old crayons without the paper
- Tree
- Tape

Instructions:

1. Tape the large piece of paper to the trunk on the tree.
2. Using the side of the crayon, color on the paper to create the bark rubbing.
3. Encourage your child to use different colors to create a rainbow of bark rubbings.

Story Time

The Apple Pie Tree

Watch the apple tree grow leaves, fragrant blossoms, and tiny green apples.

Read Aloud: <https://youtu.be/1nTkOccVd3g>

Arts and Creativity

Trees are Good

Enjoy this fun interactive finger play about trees.

Trees are Good

Trees are good for climbing up (*pretend to climb*)

Trees are good for running around (*run in a circle on the spot*)

Trees are good for shaking hard (*shake imaginary tree*)

To knock the pinecones to the ground. (*pretend to pick up pinecones*)

Trees are good for birds to peck (*pretend to peck at a tree*)

Trees are good for squirrels to hide (*crouch and cover face*)

Trees are good for owls to sleep in (*pretend to sleep*)

When the sun is bright outside. (*hold arms in a circle above head*)

Trees are good for picking apples (*pretend to pick apples*)

Trees are good for hanging swings. (*make a swinging motion with hands*)

Trees are good for birds to sit on. (*flap arms*)

When they need to rest their wings. (*fold arms and sit*)