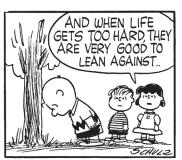


TREE TALES









PART 1: Complete this puzzle to show off your "tree-mendous" knowledge about trees.

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- **1.** On a hot day, a tree is a great place to find some _____.
- **4.** Trees provide _____ for animals who need homes.
- **6.** Trees produce and release into the air.
- 7. Trees can add _____ to any space.
- **8.** Some trees produce _____ that animals and humans eat.
- **2.** Trees can prevent ______, which happens when soil is washed or blown away.
- **3.** When trees drop their leaves in the fall, the dead leaves provide to plants.
- **5.** Many trees are highly valued for their _____, which can be used to make furniture.

PART 2: We celebrate Earth Day on April 22, but April is also National Poetry Month. On a separate piece of paper, write a poem about trees in the shape of a tree, with words on branches sprouting from a trunk. Have fun and be creative. Your poem can rhyme or not — it's up to you!

Families: Celebrate Earth Day by asking family members to name what kind of tree they would be, if they could be a tree. Consider planting a tree as a family that you could care for, or find a local organization to which you can donate a tree.

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