CD-ROM Activities • Grades PreK – 3

Unit 1

Trees at Work – Just Look!
Students will learn that animals and the environment itself depend on the invisible work of trees.

Take a Closer Look
Students will learn that each type of tree has distinctive bark and unique leaves and that these characteristics can be used to determine the species of the tree.
Illinois Learning Standards - 12.A.1b, 12.B.1a

Dead and Alive
Students will learn how “dead” trees are actually alive with activity and return nutrients to the soil.
Illinois Learning Standards - 3.C.1a, 5.C.1a, 12.B.1b

A Little Help from Their Friends
Students will learn that trees spread their seeds around with the help of wind, water and animals.
Illinois Learning Standards - 3.C.1a, 4.B.1b, 12.B.1a, 12.B.1b

Unit 2

Where Does the Green Go?
Students will learn that leaves lose their green color as the days grow shorter and the weather becomes colder and that other colors become visible, while still other new colors are created.
Illinois Learning Standards - 4.B.1b, 7.C.1, 12.B.1a

What Do Trees Do for Dinner?
Students will learn how trees produce their own food and how every part of the tree contributes to the process of making and distributing food.
Illinois Learning Standards - 4.B.1a, 12.A.1a, 12.B.1a

Bugs, Beavers, Birch Trees and Birds
Students will learn that in the forest, and in all of nature, there are millions of living things and that each has a unique role to play.
Illinois Learning Standards - 12.A.1b, 12.B.1b
Unit 3

Trees for Tomorrow
Students will learn that although we use trees for many things in our daily lives, if we plan carefully, we will never run out of trees.
Illinois Learning Standards - 12.B.1a, 13.B.1e

People Who Work in the Woods
Students will learn that there are many types of jobs that people do in the forest.
Illinois Early Learning Standards - 15.A.EC
Illinois Learning Standards - 1.A.1a, 1.A.1b, 4.B.1a, 13.B.1d

Let’s Plant a Tree
Students will learn how to plant a tree and how to select a site that will not interfere with power lines or stunt the growth of the tree.
Illinois Learning Standards - 17.C.1a