

Monday

Date _____

Materials

Golf tees; blue marbles; Styrofoam or cardboard; candies or pompoms

Read Aloud

We Planted a Tree

Whole Group Activity

Nature Walk P

Bring along writing materials and a bucket for collecting parts of trees that have fallen to the ground (acorns, leaves, small broken branches, bits of bark, etc.). Take time to gather items to use this week. Sit with your drawing materials. Draw three different kinds of trees you see (you can use the included printable or plain paper). Discuss how they are the same and how they are different.

Small Group Literacy

Fine Motor Trees

Set natural golf tees into Styrofoam or a small cardboard box. Kids use pincer grasp with fingers or tongs/tweezers to place green marbles ('tree tops') on top of the golf tee 'tree trunks'. Alternatively, you could use painted ping pong balls. Children could also roll balls of green play dough for the tree tops.

Small Group Science

What Do We Know About Trees?

Talk with the children about their background knowledge about trees. Perhaps they have one in their yard or have learned to climb trees with their siblings. Ask questions about what trees can look like, feel like, etc. Keep notes of any questions the children ask, as well.

Small Group Math

Tree Addition P

Use the printable addition mat for this or make your own with construction paper. Place a numbered trunk under the tree top. Use candies, pompoms, or beads as 'fruit' for the tree. Use 2 differently colored 'fruits' to represent the number bonds that add up to the number on the trunk. Refer to [this post](#) for more information.

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