



MISSOURI BUILDING BLOCK PICTURE BOOK AWARD

My Dad Is a Tree
By Jon Agee

Related Books:

Be A Tree! by Maria Gianferrari, Felicita Sala

Stuck by Oliver Jeffers

Fall Is Not Easy by Marty Kelley

Tap The Magic Tree by Christie Matheson

Pretend by Jennifer Plecas

It's My Tree by Olivier Tallec

Tree by Britta Teckentrup

Shake The Tree! by Chiara Vignocchi, Paolo Chiarinotti and Silvia Borando

The Busy Tree by Jennifer Ward, illustrated by Lisa Falkenstern

Rhymes:

"A Tree is a Home"

A tree may be a home for bird (flap arms like a bird)

A tree may be a home for bee (buzz your hand around)

A tree may be a home for snake (slithering snake)

A tree may be a home for monkey (swing your arms)

Hmmm. I wonder if a tree would make a good home for me? (point to self)

Source: The Holiday Zone - <https://www.theholidayzone.com/arborsongs.html>

"Way Up High in the Apple Tree"

Way up high in a tall green tree (stretch up high)

Two red apples smiled down at me (make hands into fists)

I shook that tree as hard as I could (shake your whole body)

Down came those apples (quickly drop hands and smack thighs)

Mmmmm were they good! (rub tummy)



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Source: The Lion is a Bookworm -

<https://thelionisabookworm.blogspot.com/2014/09/storytime-trees.html>

“I Am A Tree”

I am a tree and I stand so tall.

I have great big branches and little branches small.

When the wind moves left or the wind blows right,

I keep my branches strong with all of my might.

I am a tree and I stand so tall.

I have great big branches and little branches small.

Bees can build a hive. Birds can build a nest.

My branches stay strong – I always try my best.

I am a tree and I stand so tall.

I have great big branches and little branches small.

Rain makes me strong and snow makes me bright!

I grow through all the seasons – all day and all night.

I am a tree and I stand so tall.

I have great big branches and little branches small.

I love the Earth and the Earth loves me.

I stand so tall because I am a tree.

Source: Music with Nancy - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NAjaDH3s6F4>

Activities:

Tree Sticky Wall – Use contact paper and paper shapes to make a tree sticky wall.

Source: Active Littles <https://activelittles.com/fall-tree-shape-sticky-wall-activity/>

Tree Nature Craft – Collect items from outside and use double sided tape to fill in the leaves on a tree.

Source: Crafts on Sea <https://www.craftsonsea.co.uk/nature-craft-for-kids-tree/>

Tree Snack - Use various sizes of pretzels and grapes to make a tree shaped snack.

Source: Fantastic Fun and Learning <https://www.fantasticfunandlearning.com/easy-tree-snack-for-kids.html>