STORY TIME RESOURCES WINTER TREES

STORY TIME DESCRIPTION

What do you notice about trees in winter? Is it the bare branches that stand like skeletons against the sky or the way they look after fallen snow? Today's book <u>Winter</u> <u>Trees</u> by Carole Gerber is an excellent story that describes various trees and what they look like in winter. Put on some warm clothes and let's join a boy and his dog on a walk as they explore trees in winter!

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

- Four Season Tree Art Lesson: <u>Kiddo TV</u> demonstrates an art lesson about the seasons.
- **Weaving Activity:** Watch this <u>YouTube video</u> of a librarian demonstrating how use natural loose parts by weaving them using cardboard and string. This activity is inspired by the book *Winter Trees*.
- **Pine Cone Science:** Try this <u>experiment</u> to find out why pine cones open and close.

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

- **Tree Identification**: Visit <u>RVA Tree Walks</u> page for guided walks to hone your tree identification skills throughout our beautiful city parks.
- *Common Native Trees of Virginia Identification Guide* You can purchase the book or download for free www.dof.virginia.gov
- **Project Learning Tree:** Use this family activity called <u>Evergreens in Winter</u> provided by Project Learning Tree to explore the variety of evergreens and pinecones.

RELATED CHILDREN'S BOOKS

- Winter is Coming by Tony Johnston
- Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter by Kenard Pak
- Winter Dance by Marion Dane Bauer
- The First Day of Winter by Denise Fleming
- Winter is Here by Kevin Henkes
- *Night Tree* by Eve Bunting
- Sky Tree: Seeing Science Through Art by Thomas Locker
- *Grandfather and I* by Helen E. Buckley
- The Pinecone Walk by Barbara Springfield
- Where Would I Be in an Evergreen Tree? By Jennifer Blomgren
- From Cone to Pine Tree by Emma Carlson-Berne



