Tree Gifts



A Summary and Family Learning Activity
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Oh, the Tree Gifts...

- 1. **A Safe, Cozy Cabin.** Tree logs were vital for early settlers to survive. Today's cabins answer *the call of the wild* with modern comforts added.
- 2. **Cabin Commode Cover.** This one is decorated with the exquisite wood carving of a majestic Moose.
- 3. **Essential Lumber.** Versatile, beautiful, durable wood as building material for most of today's homes and other essential structures.
- 4. **Tree Tire Swing.** Trees are places to mount or anchor a myriad of fun and practical items.
- 5. **Oxygen.** Trees breathe it forth at night as they absorb carbon dioxide making our air more healthy.
- 6. **Boat or Ship.** From rowboats to mighty sailing vessels, wooden watercraft are highly functional and beautiful.
- 7. **Handcrafted Jewelry Box.** Wood is the material used to create so many treasured items –ornamental, symbolic, *and musical.* *Can you find the ukulele?
- 8. **Fruit.** Delicious and nutritious fruit grows on many varieties of trees.
- 9. **Toothpicks.** How practical are these when you've got a nut or celery string stuck between your teeth?
- 10. **Landscape.** Trees are the spectacularly beautiful and majestic centerpieces of yards, gardens, public places, and the forest wonderland.
- 11. Woodland Nests. Trees shelter many furry and feathered creatures of the forest.
- 12. **Broom Handle.** An example of the many practical, affordable items made from wood.
- 13. **Furniture of All Kinds.** Think of the chairs, chests of drawers, dining room tables, bed frames, and all the cabinetry mounted on the walls throughout your home.
- 14. **Walnut.** List your favorite nuts...Almonds, Walnuts, Pecans, and more...
- 15. **Paper.** Only when wood fiber came into use did paper (and cardboard) become easier to make and affordable. Then, the printing press and shipping cartons were conceived.
- 16. **Medicine.** Aspirin was originally derived from the bark of Willow Trees.
- 17. Shade and Temporary Shelter. We run to trees from the searing sun and falling rain.
- 18. A Log Fire. Whether outdoors or inside a wood stove, oh how it warms and comforts us.
- 19. **Treehouse.** It is a dream and adventure place for many children and grownups.