

Observing Forests

1. Memorize Psalms 1:3, just the first part. (So they grow strong, like a tree planted by a stream—) Talk about what it means to be a strong tree. How does a tree become strong. What makes us strong?
2. Learn about the type of forest that is typical where you live.
3. Learn how your forest changes through the seasons.
4. Learn about four creatures that live in your forest.
5. Learn about things that may be threatening your forest.
6. Have fun with crafts and games to help you remember what you learned about the forest and its creatures.

Helps

1. A tree needs water and nutrients to grow strong, as do people. We also need God and family and friends in our lives to make us healthy.
2. Every area of our world is unique. Learn about your area.
3. Learn about the changes that the seasons bring to a forest, flora and fauna.
4. Choose anything your kids will find fun, some both boys and girls will like, some big and small, etc. Find information online to help you teach.
5. Sin and disease have challenged our world. Is there a bug or disease spreading mayhem in your forest? Maybe the problems are manmade.
6. It is easy to find ideas online. Choose things for a variety of learners and temperaments.

Resources: *A Forest Habitat* by Bobbie Kalman, *Trees, Leaves, and Bark* by Diane Burn.