

# TREES

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Trees clean the air  
They protect us from the sun  
They keep the dirt in place  
And climbing them is so much fun  
They can be short  
They can be tall  
They can be big as a barn  
Or very very small

Trees give us fruit  
And nuts that taste so good  
The squirrels love to play  
In trees around my neighborhood  
They give us sap  
And pollen, too  
So the honey bees can make  
The honey just for you

Trees are our friends  
And they give the birds a home  
They make a quiet place  
For resting when you're all alone  
Trees paint the sky  
With pretty leaves  
They do all of these things  
And that's why I love trees