



The Tree That Bear Climbed

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A Chain of Events Story With a Twist!

The Tree That Bear Climbed is a creative twist on the classic tale, *The House that Jack Built*. Young listeners and early readers will love the rhythmic repetition as they learn about the many parts of a tree. Beginning with the roots that anchor the tree, this cumulative verse story climbs to a surprise ending. Why is bear so eager to climb the tree and what happens when he gets to the top? Kate Rietz's vivid and detailed illustrations will enthrall children of all ages. (Ages 3-8)



For Creative Minds

Teachers and parents will love the educational section, which includes the following activities:

- Basic Needs of Plants
- Plant Body Part Matching Activity
- How Plants and Animals Interact



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Plus, 60-70 pages of cross-curricular **Teaching Activities** and three Interactive Reading Comprehension and Math **Quizzes** on *The Tree That Bear Climbed's* homepage (www.ArbordalePublishing.com) to help parents and educators create more educational opportunities.

About the Author & Illustrator



Award-winning author **Marianne Berkes** (pronounced Ber-kess with two syllables) is a retired teacher and librarian who turned her love of nature and teaching into writing informational picture books. In addition to *The Tree That Bear Climbed* and *Animalogy* for Arbordale, some of Marianne's other recent and award-winning titles include: *Over in the Forest: Come and Take a Peek*, *Going Home*, *The Mystery of Animal Migration*; *Over in the Ocean, in a Coral Reef*; *Over in the Jungle, a Rainforest Rhyme*; *Going Around the Sun*, *Some Planetary Fun*, and *Marsh Morning*. Visit her website at www.MarianneBerkes.com.

A lifelong artist and lover of nature, **Kathleen Rietz** was drawing and painting before she learned to write her name. Originally from Peoria, IL, Kathleen received her formal training from the American Academy of Art in Chicago, IL. In addition to illustrating *Desert Baths*, *The Tree That Bear Climbed*, *Prairie Storms*, and *Champ's Story: Dogs Get Cancer Too!* for Arbordale, Kathleen's other books include *Conoce Tu Parque*, *Little Black Ant on Park Street*, *The ABC's of Yoga for Kids*, and *Prayers for Children*. She taught art to children and adults at the Community School of the Arts at historic Wheaton College in Wheaton, IL, and through a local home school program in her community. For more information about Kathleen, visit her website: www.kathleenrietz.com.



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