ABOUT THE BOOK

Trees grow in many habitats, all around the world. Some trees are short and some are tall. Some grow in hot deserts and others grow on cold mountains. Some have leaves that are broad and wide and others are short and narrow. Some trees stay green all year round while others have leaves that change color. Compare and contrast the different characteristics of trees through vibrant photographs.

CURRICULUM CONNECTIONS

For Creative Minds

After learning about the different types of trees and some of their characteristics, children can dive into the For Creative Minds section with activities that include:

• Tree Parts
• Trees Help Me Breathe!
• Trees and Animals

As a nonfiction, cross-curricular text, Trees fits perfectly into Common Core, Next Generation Science Standards and social studies lessons for grades K-3. Exact standards alignment and a 15-30 page teaching activities guide are available on Arbordalepublishing.com.

Classification Information

Understanding that reading level alignment is important for classroom implementation Trees has been assessed by the following organizations:

• Preliminary ATOS: 5.3
• Flesch-Kincaid: 4.2
• Lexile: 690
• Fountas and Pinnell: M

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• JNF037040 - Science & Nature / Trees & Forests
• JNF013070 - Concepts / Size & Shape
• JNF013050 - Concepts / Opposites

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OTHER TITLES OF INTEREST

**CLOUDS**

There are many different kinds of clouds all around us. Clouds come in diverse shapes and colors. Some clouds are fluffy and others are wispy. Some clouds float high in the sky and others sit low on the ground. Some clouds warn of storms and other clouds tell of fair weather. Compare and contrast the characteristics of different types of clouds through vibrant photographs.

**Polar Bears and Penguins**

Polar bears and penguins may like cold weather but they live at opposite ends of the Earth. What do these animals have in common and how are they different? You might see them near each other at a zoo but they would never be found in the same habitats in the wild. Compare and contrast these polar animals through stunning photographs.