SMOKEY BEAR presents:
A story book of the forest, trees and animals

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KEEP FIRE out of our WOODS

My name is ____________________
Trees are living things. They are growing wood for our use.

Bring some tree leaves to school. Learn their names.

Maple
Sweetgum
Sycamore
Oak
There are two kinds of trees...

**DECIDUOUS** trees which drop their leaves in winter.

**EVERGREEN** trees which keep their leaves all year round.

Name three deciduous trees - three evergreen trees
What tree seeds have you seen? Bring some tree seeds to school. Plant the seed in a flower pot in the classroom.
People need trees and trees need:

soil, water and sunlight.

1. soil  
2. water  
3. sunlight

Write the words

Learn how soil, water and sunlight help a seedling grow.
Find out how a tree protects the soil.
The forest is the home of many wild animals. What animals have you seen in the woods? Where do they get their food? Do they live on the ground or in a tree?

Raccoon

Squirrel

Deer

When forest fires burn their homes, they have no place to live.
This bird makes his nest in trees and shrubbery. He is sometimes called a redbird. What is his other name? ________

This bird is called a quail. A quail builds its nest on the ground. What is another name for the quail? ________

Sometimes forest fires burn bird nests and kill baby birds.
Fishing in a stream is fun. Forests keep the streams cool and clean.

When forest fires burn the woods, the water in streams gets dirty. Dirty water can kill the fish.
When trees get old and big, they are ready to be used. Foresters cut these trees before they get sick. This gives little trees more room to grow.

You can tell how old a tree is by the growth rings. Count them. How old is this tree? ___________ years.

Save some trees for seed so other trees will grow.
Trees are cut for many uses.

Logs for lumber

Pulpwood for paper

Poles for telephone wires

Many things are made from wood. List some of them.

1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 
6. 
7. 
8. 
9. 
10. 

What things can you find in the schoolroom made from wood?

1. 
2. 
3. 

house
wagon
box
chair
ruler
boat
bat
desk
Trees have enemies. Insects eat leaves, bark and wood. Disease makes trees sick.

Forest fires make trees weak, then insects and disease sometimes kill the trees.
You can run away from fire. But the tree cannot.
If we keep fire out of the forest and let young healthy trees keep growing, it will help us to have beautiful green forests, nice clear streams, lumber for homes and food for our animal friends.
BOYS AND GIRLS!

Here is what you can do to help develop our forest resources:

1. Be careful with matches and fire.
2. If you see a woods fire tell someone about it at once.
3. Plant a tree.
4. Talk to your parents. Urge them to harvest trees carefully.

Smokey Bear
The future of our county, state and nation rests in the hands of our boys and girls. Proper use of our trees and forests will vitally affect our prosperity. Forest fires and unwise cutting are the principal threats to these resources.

With this thought in mind, this book is dedicated to all school boys and girls and to the advancement of forest conservation.

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