

All About Trees

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Level 12 G Word Count: 177*

The Big Idea

This book tells about how trees grow from seeds to mature trees.

Skills at a Glance

Monitor-Reading:
- Retell what you have read

Comprehension:
- Summarize information

Phonics:
- Final consonant clusters (different, ground, trunk)

Fluency:
- Read with appropriate stress or emphasis

Content Vocabulary:
- bark, branches, buds, flowers, fruit, leaves, nuts, roots, tree, trunk

Grammar, Word Study, and Language Development:
- Use the article "this"
- Use homonyms (bark, leaves, trunk)

Sentence Patterns:
- Do you like ___?
- A ___ has ___.

*Numerals, vocabulary words on pages 2 and 3, and words in photo captions, labels, diagrams, and charts are not included in the word count for this book.

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What are the parts of a tree?

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I need to know these words.

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bark



branches

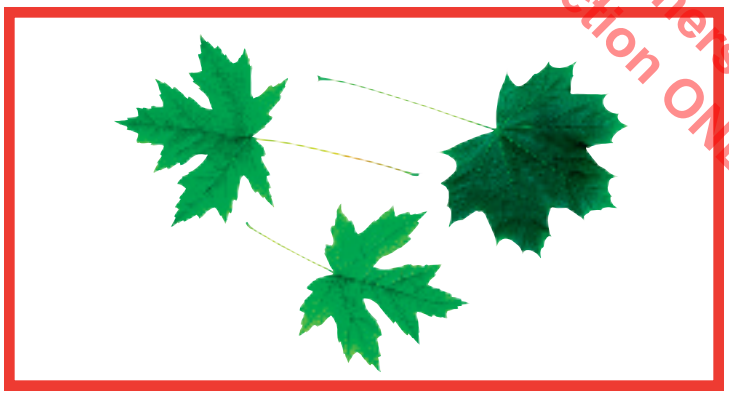


buds



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leaves



roots



tree



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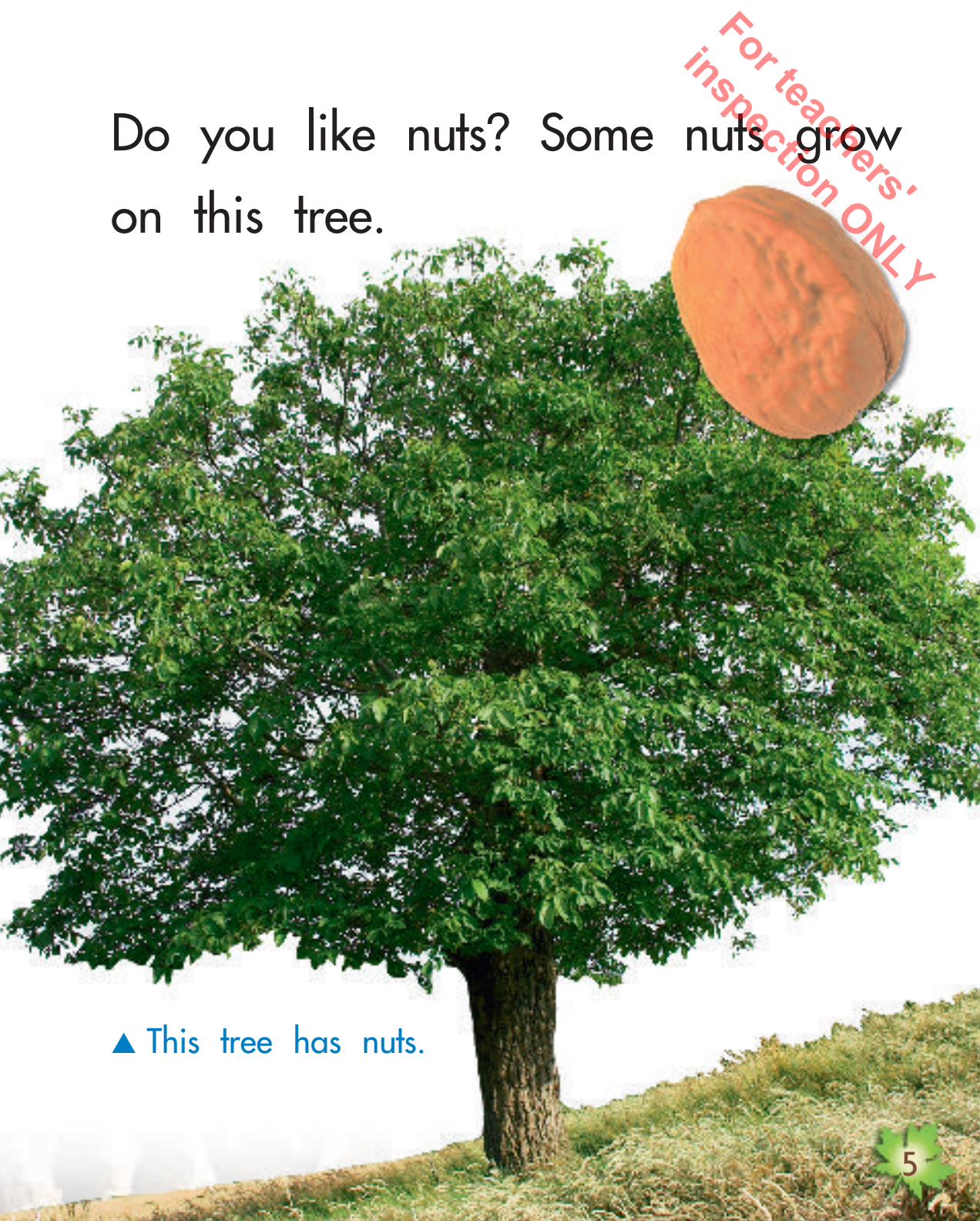
Do you like fruit? Some fruit grows on this tree.



▲ These apples grow on this tree.

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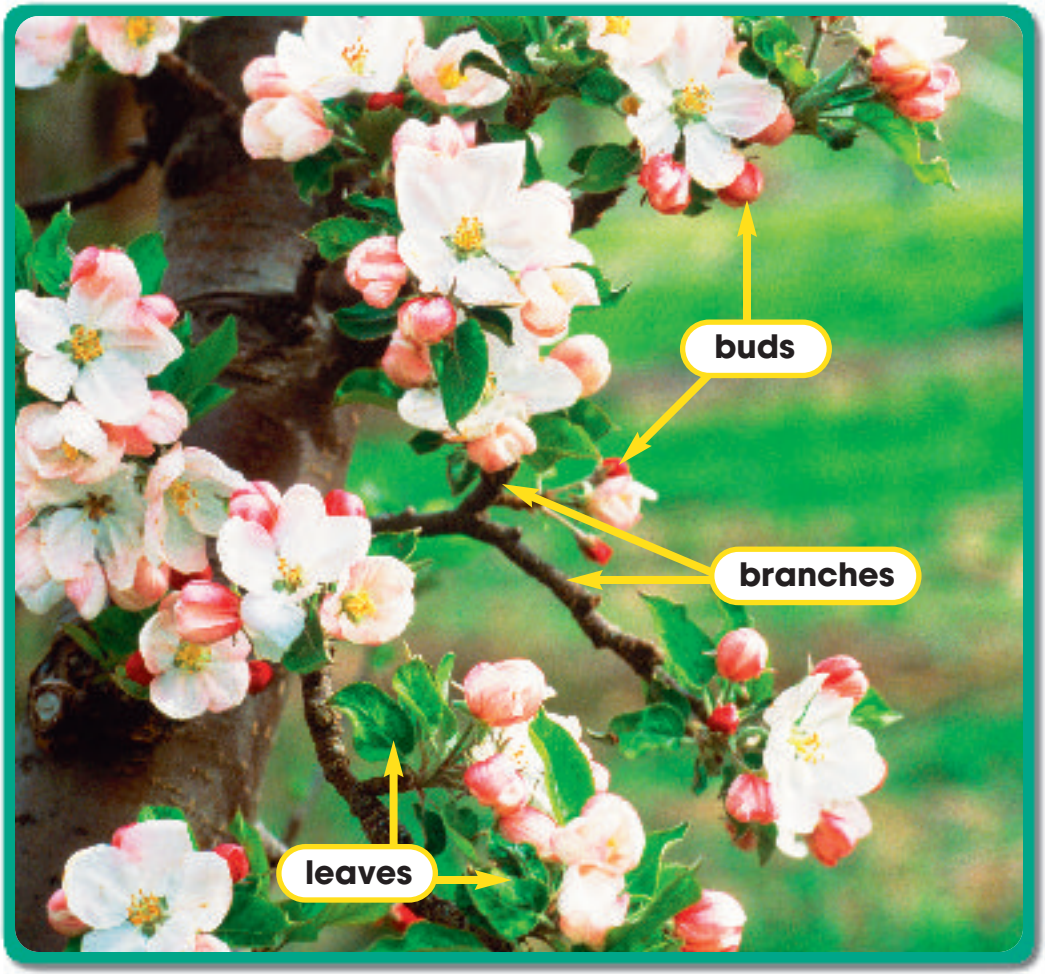
Do you like nuts? Some nuts grow on this tree.



▲ This tree has nuts.

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How are the trees alike? Both trees have the same parts.

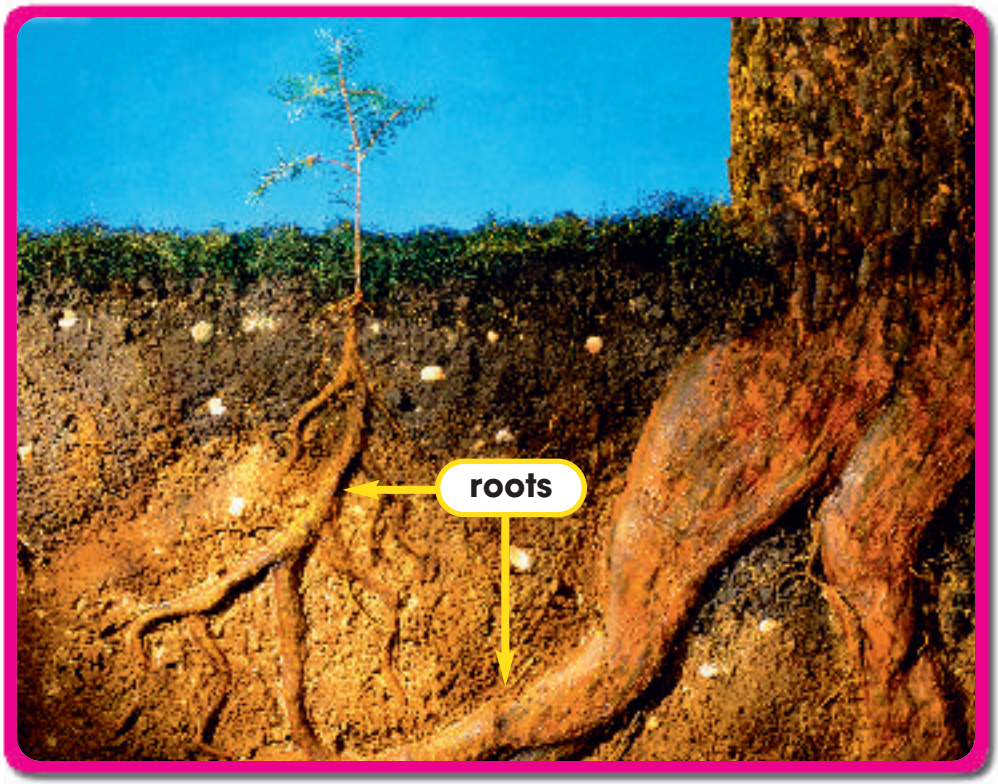


▲ Both trees have these parts.

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What are the parts of a tree?

A tree has roots. The roots grow into the ground. The roots keep the tree in place.



▲ The roots can grow very long.

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A tree also has a trunk. The trunk grows above the ground.



▲ Some animals live inside a tree trunk.

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The trunk has bark on the outside. The bark is hard.



▲ The bark protects the trunk.