

We Need Trees

Objectives:

- To develop visual memory.
- To heighten observation skills.
- To examine an object, using as many senses as possible.
- To learn more about trees.

Materials:

- CHOOSE ART STUDENT BOOKLET
pages 1 to 3
- Real leaves, enough for at least 1/student
- Pictures of different kinds of trees,
including fruit trees

Advance Preparation:

- Gather leaves and store them in a moist place, such as the refrigerator, until class.
- Collect pictures of trees and create a display. These may be easily found in nature books, calendars, or on the Internet.

Method:

Step 1: Scripture Talk

Read the scripture on **page 1** of the CHOOSE ART STUDENT BOOKLET. (Susan is praising a picture someone has made.) Then introduce the scripture according to the **SUGGESTIONS FOR INTRODUCING THE SCRIPTURAL THEME** on *pages 31 and 32 of this unit*.

Step 2: Play a Game of "Posing Statues"

Tell the children that it is very useful to be able to remember what we see. Prepare to play a

game with them, explaining that it will help their memories to grow strong.

How to play: Using the children as volunteers, ask them each to think of a pose—one that is interesting and unusual. Ask one of the children to demonstrate his or her pose, and let the other children study the pose for six to eight seconds. **Have the volunteer discontinue the pose after the six- to eight-second study time. Then allow a five-second pause** to ensure that the children