SPRUCE TREES

Grade Levels K-1

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Te a c he r Re so urc e s

Parts of a Spruce Tree Cards



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<u>k</u>íid hlúu trunk



hlíing roots



<u>kíid sk'a'íi</u> needles



<u>k</u>íid <u>k</u>'uj _{bark}



tláas branches

Let's Turn a Friend into a Spruce Tree

You'll need:

- Brown, Dark Green and Light Green Butcher Paper
- Brown or Black Permanent Marker
- Stapler
- Scissors
- Glue
- Knowledge about trees

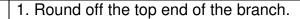


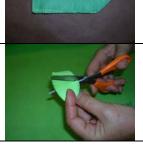


Branch Head Piece



- 1. Cut **dark green** butcher paper into 3" x 5" rectangles.
- 2. Draw a line down the middle of the rectangle.
- 3. With a scissor make cuts to just before the line.
- 4. Repeat cutting on the other side





- 1. Cut **light green** butcher paper into 2" x 3" rectangles.
- 2. Draw a line down the middle of the rectangle.
- 3. With a scissor cut to just before the line.
- 4. Repeat cutting on the other side

White the same of	Glue light green – new grow to the dark green branch. Crinkle cut edges as shown.
	1. Cut 8" x 36" brown butcher paper.
	1. Fold in thirds to form a headband.
	Staple headband to fit students head.
	Make a support piece across headpiece with the remaining headband piece.
	Staple branches onto headband.
Roots	
	 Cut 8" x 36" brown butcher paper. Fold in thirds. Cut in half to make to ankle pieces.

	 Cut root shapes with brown butcher paper. Staple onto ankle pieces.
Trunk Tunic	
	1. Draw and cut arm holes.
	1. Cut neck hole.
	Cut down the center from the neck to the base.
	Use a black marker to draw outer bark.
	Staple front and back.

Parts of a Spruce Tree

Name							Date				
Using	the	Spruce	Tree	Worksheet	ask	the	student	the	question,	Tl'áan	иι
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		Áang	Ge'é
		<i>Áang</i> Yes	No
<u>k</u> íid	spruce tree		
tláas	branches		
stľáas k'ámaal	cones		
<u>k</u> 'áas	pitch		
<u>k</u> íid hlúu	trunk		
hlíing	roots		
<u>k</u> íid s <u>k</u> 'a'íi	needles		
	Total		



dlagw Spruce Root Digging Stick



hlíing Spruce Root



hlíing Spruce Roots



ts'i'íit'uu Scissors



stla hlk'únk' gloves



gwáahl bag

 \underline{K} íid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 7 of 23

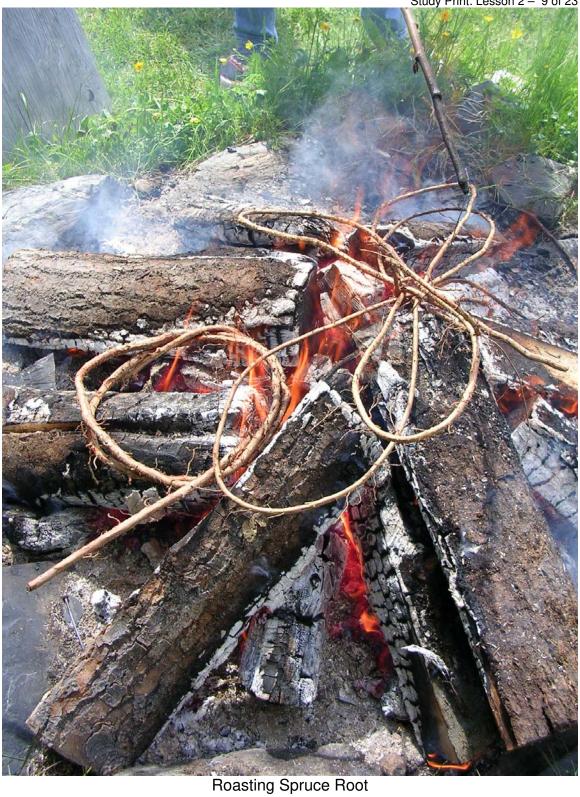


Net Picker/Root Digger

 \underline{K} íid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 8 of 23



ts'áanuu Fire



 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 10 of 23



dánhlaaw Split stick for peeling bark from roots

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 11 of 23



Removing Outer Bark

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 12 of 23



Peeled and unpeeled spruce roots

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 13 of 23



Split Spruce Root

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 14 of 23



Splitting a Spruce Root

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 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 15 of 23



gándl Rain Water



<u>k</u>igw Spruce Root Basket

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 17 of 23



tlúu Spruce and Cedar Canoe



Spruce Root Hook



Áal Spruce wood Paddle Alaska State Museum Collection – 11-B-1235-1



Spruce Root Basket Alaska State Museum Collection – 11-B-1766

 \underline{K} iid – Spruce Unit Study Print: Lesson 2 – 21 of 23



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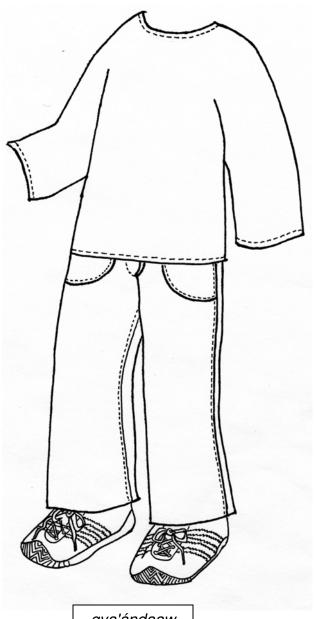


Unfinished Spruce Root Basket Alaska State Museum Collection – 9822-1



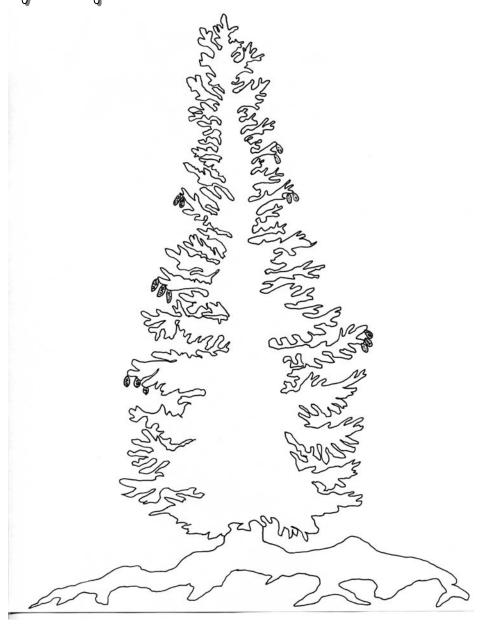
<u>k</u>wáay Spruce rope Alaska State Museum Collection – 11-B-1456



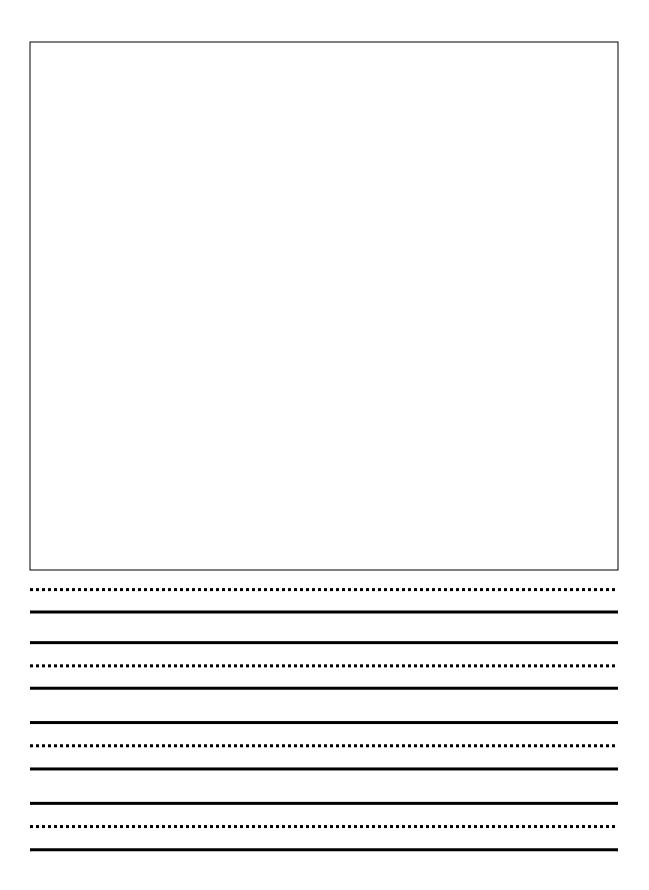


gya'ándaaw clothes

My Spruce Tree Journal



Name	
Date	





Name_		
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Date_		

Tools needed to complete this job.

- Clipboard
- Pencil
- Crayons: brown, dark green, light green
- String
- Links, tiles or rulers

Spruce Trees Around Our School

Work cooperatively with your partner to complete this job.

- 1. Shake hands with trees. Do you say "Ouch"? If you do it's a Spruce tree. Take a tally of the spruce trees you find.
- 2. Add up tallies.
- 3. Write the number.

Data Table

Туре	Description	Tallies	Number
<u>k</u> íid Spruce	When you shake hands with the spruce you'll say "ouch!"		

Explore a Spruce Tree

Draw a picture of a spruce tree.

- 1. Find a Spruce tree. Shake hands. If you say "Ouch!" You've found one!
- 2. Use a pencil to draw your Spruce tree.
- 3. Remember to include:
 - *kíid hlúu* trunk
 - tláas branches
 - <u>kíid sk'a'íi</u> needles
 - <u>k</u>íid <u>k</u>'uj bark
 - stľáas k'ámaal cone
 - <u>k</u>'aas pitch

Branch Exploration

- Explore the branch of a Spruce tree.

 1. Draw the branch. Include the following:
 - tláas branch
 - <u>k</u>íid s<u>k</u>'a'íi needle



Cone Exploration
Contraction

Explore a spruce cone. 1. Draw the cone.

- - stľáas k'ámaal cone



	Bark Explo	oration	

Explore the bark of the spruce tree. 1. Touch, Feel, and Look at the bark 2. Make a rubbing.

- - a. Place this page on trunk.
 - b. Hold page in place and color firmly with a crayon.



Spruce Tree Circumference

1. Measure the circumference of a Spruce tree.

a. Have a partner hold one end of the string.



b. Walk around the tree with the string.



c. With your pencil or crayon mark the string where the ends meet.

d. Lay string on a flat surface and measure using links, tiles or rulers.



Units Used	Number

Note to teacher:

Attach bag with measuring string.

Spruce Life Cycle



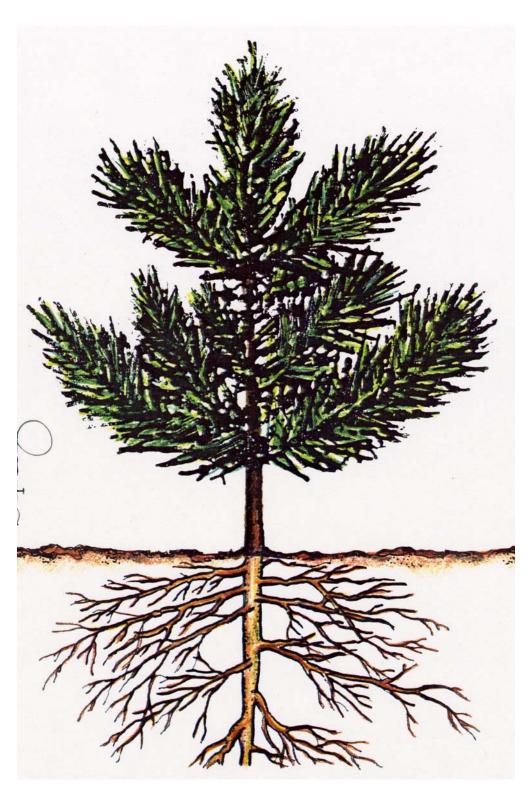
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Date Áavaad uu	íijang		



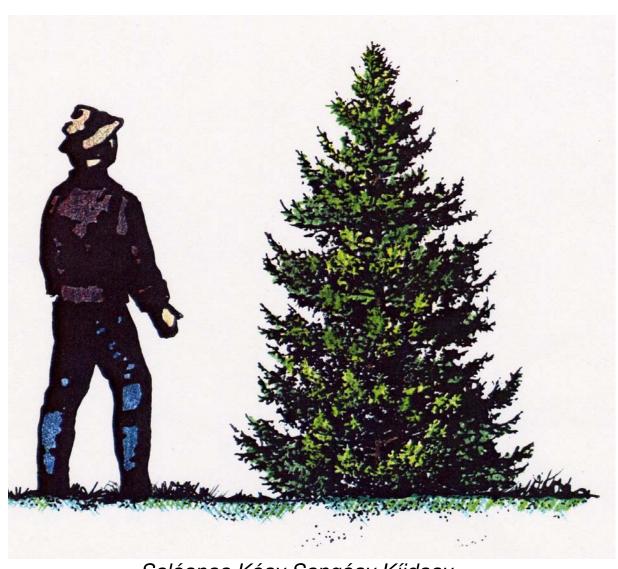
Stl'áas k'ámaal isgyáan Máahl Cone and Seeds



Sprout/Germination



<u>K</u>íid Hlgwáay Sapling



Saláanaa <u>K</u>áay Sangáay <u>K</u>íidaay Christmas Tree



<u>K</u>íid Adult Spruce Tree



<u>K</u>íid S<u>g</u>áan K'iláa Dying Spruce Tree

Tree Life Cycle Cards

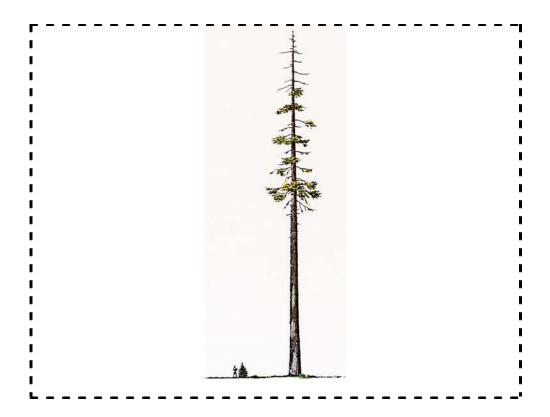




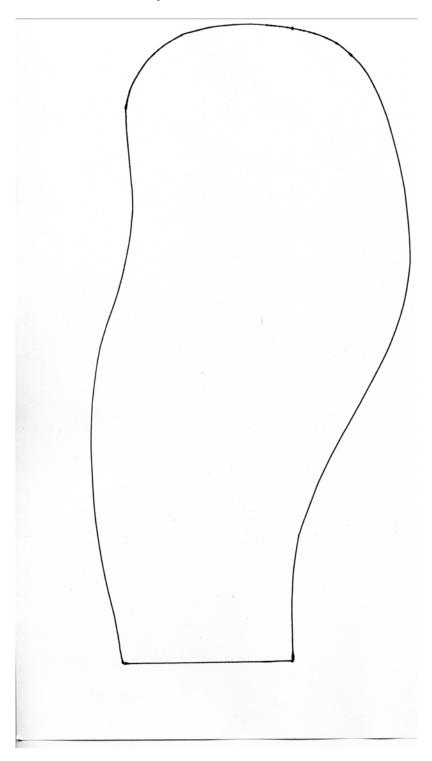








Squirrel Tail Pattern

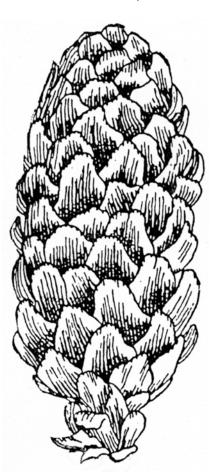


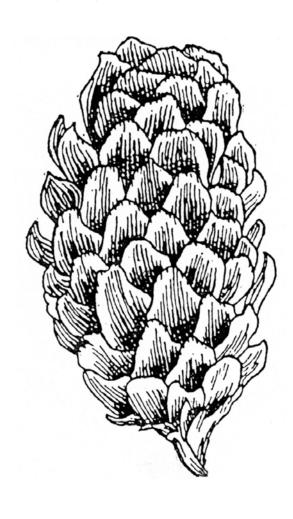
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Spruce Cone Coloring Page

Color and cut out spruce cones.

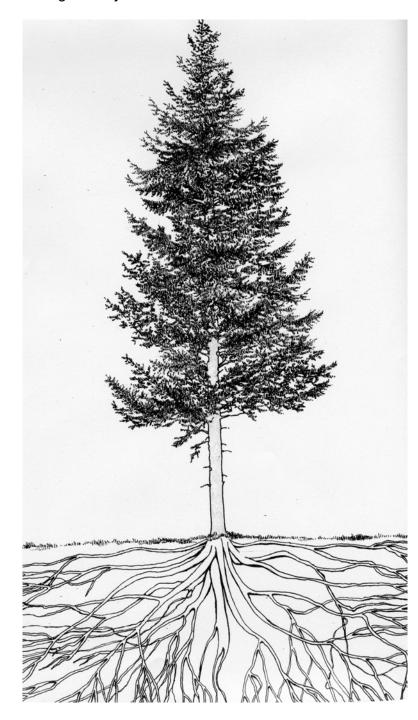


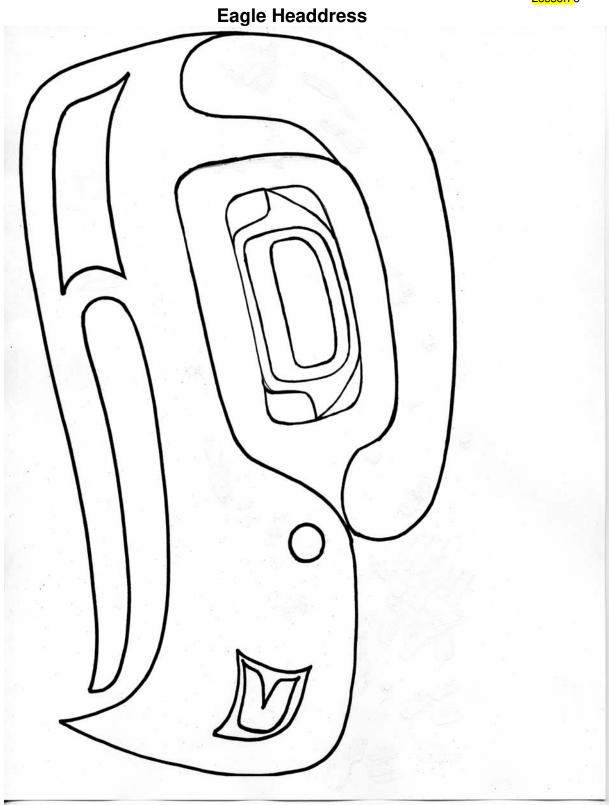


Spruce Tree Labeling Activity



tláas	branches
<u>k</u> íid <u>k</u> 'uj	bark
stľáas k'ámaal	cone
<u>k</u> íid hlúu	trunk
<u>k</u> íid s <u>k</u> 'a'íi	needles
hlíing	roots





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Museum Activity



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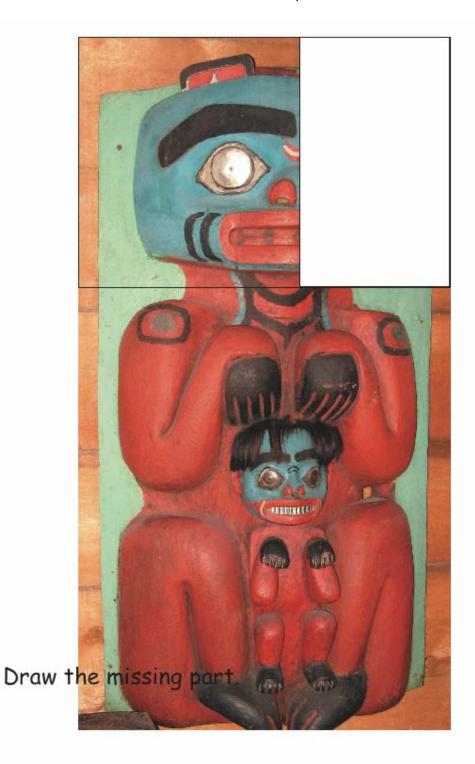
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<u>Kigw uu iijang</u> This is a basket.



Draw the missing part.

Gáats' uu íijang. This is a house post.



Chánhlk'aa tl'úwaan uu íijang. This is a fish trap.



Draw the missing part.

Dajáng sgíilaa uu íijang. This is a woven hat with rings.



Draw the missing part.

Draw a museum treasure made from a spruce tree.