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These Trees!

By Liana Mahoney



If walnuts come from walnut trees,
And almonds come from almond trees,
Then how come acorns come from oaks?
Can anyone explain this, please?

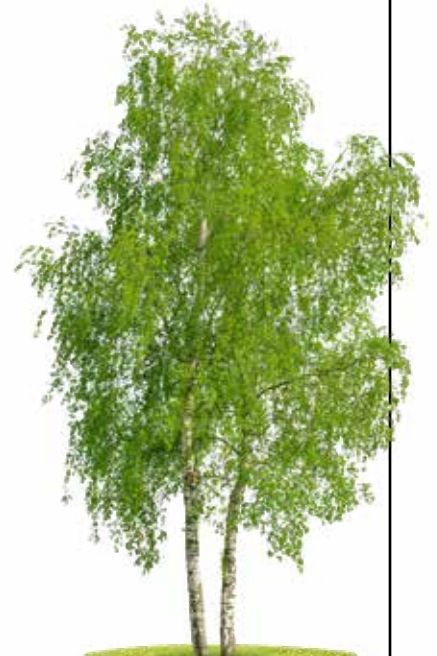
A redwood tree's not really red,



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These trees! These trees! I wish it would
Be less confusing in the wood!
If trees had better-chosen names,
They might be better understood.



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1. What is the main idea of the poem?
 - a. Trees have appropriate names.
 - b. Trees have names that are often difficult to pronounce.
 - c. The names of trees aren't always obvious.
 - d. Most people don't know the names of trees.
2. Write a heading for each of the two categories on the t-chart.



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3. According to the poem, which tree is red?
 - a. redwood tree
 - b. red oak tree
 - c. both of these
 - d. neither of these

4. Line 7 reads:

So, why's the white birch aptly named?

Define the underlined word. Use a dictionary if you need help.

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Aptly comes from the word apt, which means suitable or
appropriate.