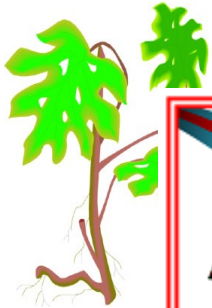


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These Trees!

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?



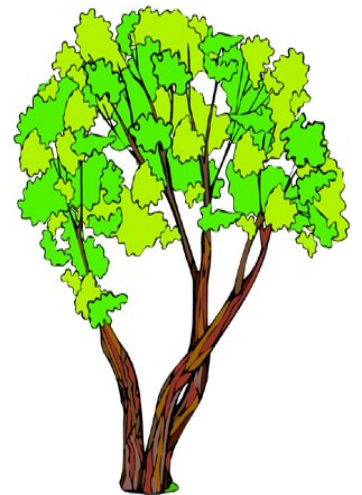


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Now, ash trees don't grow ashes. Right?
And beech trees aren't on beaches. Right?
And fir trees don't have furry trunks;
Although, that WOULD be quite a sight!

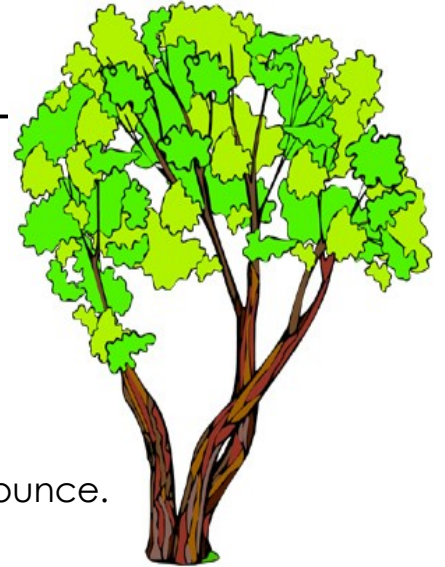
These trees! These trees! I wish it would
Be less confusing in the wood!
If trees had better-chosen names,
They might be better understood.



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1. What is the main idea of the poem?
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 - 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.

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almond tree

almonds

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 - d. both of these

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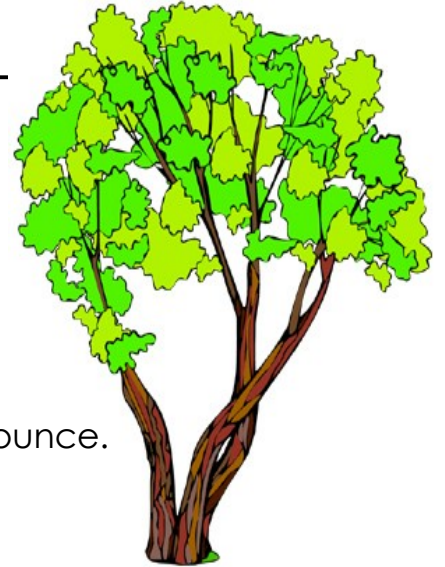
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ANSWER KEY

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Types of Trees

Names of Seeds or Nuts



Answers may vary slightly. For the first column, accept: types of trees, names of trees, species of trees, etc. For the second column, accept: names of seeds, types of nuts, things that grow on trees, etc.

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