

# Trees: A Forest of Importance

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"Scratch, scratch, scratch!" goes my pencil as it scratches on the piece of paper as I write my essay on mice. Suddenly, all but the lead disappears. The essay vanishes. My chair dissipates under me, and I fall down. I hear a strange crumbling sound, realizing with horror that it is my house. I run out the front door and make it outside just in time. I get far away and look behind me to see my house collapse. Luckily, I was home alone. I look around to see the entire neighborhood running out as I had; their homes smashing behind them. All the wood in the world had disappeared.

That's just an example of what it would be like if trees suddenly disappeared. Trees are incredibly important. We use them extensively. Although you may not think so, we need trees. There are materials from trees in furniture, paper, and even syrup! They often produce fruit and other very useful things. They generate oxygen from carbon dioxide, making it impossible to breath without them. They are homes to tons of animals and can house entire ecosystems! Also, they are great things to climb and offer great scenery. It's amazing that something so common could be so very important. Trees are taken for granted, but if they're not cared for, they'll disappear. Without trees, society would not be what it is today.