

Read the fascinating facts on this page and be introduced to Silva, your friendly owl guide. You will need to produce a title page for your topic which could include some of the information below. Use your topic reference books to find your own fascinating facts about trees.

The sapodilla tree has a thick, rubbery, milky juice which the ancient Maya Indians, of Central America, chewed as gum.

The olive branch is a symbol of peace.

The cannonball tree has brown fruits which resemble cannonballs.

The banyan tree of eastern India and Malaysia can have up to 200 trunks.

40% of medical chemicals in the United States come from the rain-forests.

Hi, my name is SILVA and I'm going to guide you through your new topic about wood and forests. I'll make sure you have fun learning about how important forests are and I'll help you produce topic work to be proud of!

85% of UK timber is imported.

A big paper mill can make 720 km of paper a day.

Trees are the largest living things in the world!

South American Indians have a legend which tells how trees hold up the sky.

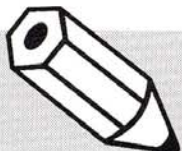
A tree is home to hundreds of living things.

Cocoa or chocolate is made from the seeds of the chocolate tree.



Plane trees survive well in the city because when the bark becomes damaged or polluted it flakes off to reveal new bark.

The Rocky Mountain bristlecone pine trees are thought to be up to 6000 years old.

Leaves take in carbon dioxide (CO_2) and give off oxygen (O).



You might like to investigate some of these facts and write about them for your topic.

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