Week of November 2-6, 2026 **Fours Room at Joyful Noise Weekly Lesson Plans**

Study: Trees **Investigation: What food comes from trees?**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Library: books about tree-grown foods & animals that eat them	Discovery: scale, tree parts	Art: materials to make a collage	Art: illustrations of *Henny Penny* characters	Art: materials to make a collage
Large Group **Language & Literacy**	Song: "Strolling Through the Park" Discussion and Shared Writing: Why do animals live in trees? Materials: Mighty Minutes 07, "Hippity Hoppity, How Many?"	Rhyme: "High in the Tree" Discussion and Shared Writing: Food grown on trees Materials: Mighty Minutes 51, "High in the Tree"; pictures of trees and their fruits and nuts	Song: "Strolling Through the Park" Discussion and Shared Writing: Food grown on trees Materials: Mighty Minutes 46, "Strolling Through the Park"	Rhyme: "High in the Tree" Discussion and Shared Writing: *Henny Penny* Materials: Mighty Minutes 51, "High in the Tree"; pictures of trees and their fruits and nuts	Poem: "I Had a Little Nut Tree" Discussion and Shared Writing: Dramatic retelling of *Henny Penny* Materials: Mighty Minutes 56, "I Had a Little Nut Tree"; *Henny Penny*; LL06 Dramatic Story Retelling
Read-Aloud	*Henny Penny*	*Who Lives in Trees?*	*Henny Penny*	*Trees Count*	*Chicka Chicka Boom Boom*
Small Groups HWT	Letter Qq LL31 I Went Shopping Name Writing Practice	Letter Qq LL11 Rhyming Riddles Name Writing Practice	Letter Qq M28 Applesauce Name Writing Practice	Letter Qq LL12 Same Sound Sort Name Writing Practice	Letter Qq LL03 Alphabet Cards Name Writing Practice
Social & Emotional	SE22 When, Then Statements	SE22 When, Then Statements	SE22 When, Then Statements	SE22 When, Then Statements	SE22 When, Then Statements
Christian Education	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***
Physical Development: P14 Moving Through the Forest					
Family Partnerships: Try to make applesauce at home! **Show & Tell: Please bring in an item that begins with the letter Qq!**					

Week of November 9-13, 2026 **Fours Room at Joyful Noise Weekly Lesson Plans**

Study: Trees **Investigation: Who takes care of trees?**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Art: materials to make class books	Library: books about trees	Art: materials to make class books	Blocks: blocks to stack to make trees	Art: materials to make class books
Large Group **Language & Literacy**	Rhyme: "Two Plump Armadillos" Discussion and Shared Writing: Who takes care of trees? Materials: Mighty Minutes 44, "Two Plump Armadillos"	Poem: "High in the Tree" Discussion and Shared Writing: How do we take care of trees? Materials: Mighty Minutes 51, "High in the Tree"	Game: Echo Clapping Discussion and Shared Writing: How do tree doctors take care of trees? Materials: Mighty Minutes 26, "Echo Clapping"; rhythm sticks or drum	Poem: "High in the Tree" Discussion and Shared Writing: Healthy and Unhealthy foods Materials: Mighty Minutes 51, "High in the Tree"	Game: Echo Clapping Discussion and Shared Writing: How can we take care of trees? Materials: Mighty Minutes 26, "Echo Clapping"; rhythm sticks or drum
Read-Aloud	*Growing Trees*	*Charlie Anderson*	*Growing Trees*	*Our Tree Named Steve*	*Log Hotel*
Small Groups HWT	Letter Gg LL30 Knowing Our Friends Name Writing Practice	Letter Gg M62 How Big Around Name Writing Practice	Letter Gg M15 Play Dough Name Writing Practice	Letter Gg M14 Patterns Name Writing Practice	Letter Gg M14 Patterns Name Writing Practice
Social & Emotional	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words
Christian Education	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***
Physical Development: P13 Punting					
Family Partnerships: How have you taken care of trees near your home? **Show & Tell: Please bring in an item that begins with the letter Gg!**					

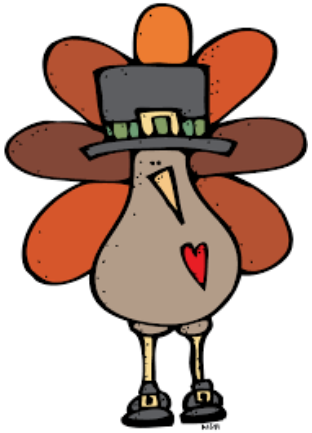
Week of November 16-20, 2026 **Fours Room at Joyful Noise Weekly Lesson Plans**

Study: Trees **Investigation: How do trees change?**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Art: landscape painting for inspiration	Art: landscape painting for inspiration	Art: paints; colorful leaves	Art: paints; colorful leaves	Art: paints; colorful leaves
Large Group **Language & Literacy**	Movement: Counting Calisthenics Discussion and Shared Writing: We grow, trees grow Materials: Mighty Minutes 28, "Counting Calisthenics"; masking tape	Rhyme: "Come Play With Me" Discussion and Shared Writing: Seed, seedling, sapling Materials: Mighty Minutes 42, "Come Play With Me"; *Trees, Trees, Trees*; masking tape	Movement: Counting Calisthenics Discussion and Shared Writing: Living and nonliving things Materials: Mighty Minutes 28, "Counting Calisthenics"	Movement: Riddle Dee Dee Discussion and Shared Writing: Tree Poems Materials: Mighty Minutes 04, "Riddle Dee Dee"; tree poems; Mighty Minutes 49, "A Tree My Size"	Game: Clap the Beat Discussion and Shared Writing: Tree Damage Materials: Mighty Minutes 59, "Clap the Beat"; collection of tree parts; rhythm sticks
Read-Aloud	*When the Monkeys Came Back*	*Growing Trees*	*When the Monkeys Came Back*	*Abiyoyo*	*Trees, Trees, Trees*
Small Groups HWT	Letter Ss M21 Geoboards Name Writing Practice	Letter Ss LL07 Letters, Letters, Letters Name Writing Practice	Letter Ss M19 Which Has More Name Writing Practice	Letter Ss LL33 Clothesline Storytelling Name Writing Practice	Letter Ss LL33 Clothesline Storytelling Name Writing Practice
Social & Emotional	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words	SE17 Supporting Children to Use Their Words
Christian Education	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***
Physical Development: Pretend to be squirrels outside					
Family Partnerships: Do you know anyone who makes things from wood? **Show & Tell: Please bring in an item that begins with the letter Ss!**					

Week of November 23-25, 2026 **Fours Room at Joyful Noise Weekly Lesson Plans**

Study: Trees **Investigation: What can we do with parts of trees?**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Discover: variety of papers; magnifying glasses	Music & Movement: wooden instruments	Music & Movement: wooden instruments		
Large Group **Language & Literacy**	Music: Drums Discussion and Shared Writing: What things are made from wood? Materials: Jar filled with sticks; drums; collection of tree parts and wooden and nonwooden objects	Music: Beating Drum Patterns Discussion and Shared Writing: Woodworking tools Materials: Mighty Minutes 26, "Echo Clapping"; drums	Music: Beating Drum Patterns Discussion and Shared Writing: Exploring wooden instruments Materials: Mighty Minutes 26, "Echo Clapping"; drums		
Read-Aloud	*A Tree is For…*	*A Grand Old Tree*	*Abiyoyo*		
Small Groups HWT	Letter Jj LL32 Describing Art Journal Page	Letter Jj M05 Sorting & Classifying Name Writing Practice	Letter Jj M11 Graphing Name Writing Practice		
Social & Emotional	SE27 How Can We Help?	SE27 How Can We Help?	SE27 How Can We Help?	*Closed*	*Closed*
Christian Education	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***		
Physical Development: P14 Moving Through the Forest					
Family Partnerships: What are you thankful for? **Show & Tell: Please bring in an item that begins with the letter Jj!**					

Week of November 30-December 4, 2026 **Fours Room at Joyful Noise Weekly Lesson Plans**

Study: Music **Investigation: What do we know about Music? What do we want to find out?**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Interest Areas	Music & Movement: collection of instruments	Music & Movement: collection of instruments	Music & Movement: CDs representing a variety of musical styles	Music & Movement: collection of instruments	Music & Movement: collection of instruments
Large Group **Language & Literacy**	Movement: Bounce, Bounce, Bounce Discussion and Shared Writing: Responding to music Materials: Mighty Minutes 30, "Bounce, Bounce, Bounce"; audio clips of instrumental music	Movement: The Kids Go Marching In Discussion and Shared Writing: Did you hear music on your way to school today? Materials: Mighty Minutes 70, "The Kids Go marching In"; collection of instruments; instrumental music	Movement: My Body Jumps Discussion and Shared Writing: Describing sounds Materials: Mighty Minutes 72, "My Body Jumps"; collection of instruments	Movement: Let's All Follow Discussion and Shared Writing: Which instrument would you like to play? Materials: Mighty Minutes 99, "Let's All Follow"; audio clips of music; collection of instruments	Song: "Old MacDonald" Discussion and Shared Writing: Do you think these can make music? Materials: Mighty Minutes 94, "Old MacDonald" video clip of a musician playing the spoons
Read-Aloud	*Abiyoyo*	*Groovy Joe: Ice Cream & Dinosaurs*	*Chrysanthemum*	*Playing From the Heart*	*Chrysanthemum*
Small Groups HWT	Letter Dd LL12 Same Sound Sort Journal Page	Letter Dd LL10 Rhyming Chart Name Writing Practice	Letter Dd M05 Sorting & Classifying Name Writing Practice	Letter Dd M02 Counting & Comparing Name Writing Practice	Letter Dd M02 Counting & Comparing Name Writing Practice
Social & Emotional	SE28 Our Feelings Song	SE28 Our Feelings Song	SE28 Our Feelings Song	SE28 Our Feelings Song	SE28 Our Feelings Song
Christian Education	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***	***Growing In Grace***
Physical Development: P21 Hopping					
Family Partnerships: Does anyone in your family play an instrument? **Show & Tell: Please bring in an item that begins with the letter Dd!**					