

A Tree Bark Adventure:

We found a piece of bark in the sand box one day. I asked my friends where they thought it came from. James wanted to find out, and suggested we take a photo of the bark first.



James, Maddy & Mrs. Trish

My friends decided we would 'visit' each tree in our outdoor classroom to see if we could find a match. We were off, with the bark piece in hand.



We first visited the tree by the water table. James held the bark piece up to the tree. Malia and James decided that the bark did not come from this tree. "It is not the same color," Malia announced.



The next tree was beside the play house.

Landon and Savannah looked really closely.

Amelia checked it out with James.

"I don't see any bark missing off the tree," Amelia observed.

James concluded that the bark did not come off of this tree.

Amelia said there are trees by the bike path. We went over to investigate. James said the trees are too skinny.



Luke showed us a tree by our classroom door.
It was up on the hill.



Mrs. Trish, the tree bark color does not match.



**Savannah called us
over to the sand box.**

**She found another
tree.**

**James noticed the
bark color did not
match.**

Landon agreed.

My friends could not find any more trees in our outdoor classroom to check. We tried each tree, and no matches.

We went to the playhouse and found a stump outside. Amelia and James checked to see if the bark piece came off the stump.



Mrs. Trish, there is no bark on the stump.
Amelia noticed small holes in the stump.
We wondered how they got there.



We completed our tree bark observations. We could not find a tree that matched the bark piece that we found in the sand box.

James had an idea:

"I think the bark fell off a tree outside the preschool and a big wind picked it up and dropped it over the fence in our sand box."

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