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Tree Comparison/Contrast Project

Based on the novel [My Side of the Mountain](#) by Jean Craighead George

Review the [Comparison and Contrast Guide](#) @ ReadWriteThink - online activity through "Evaluating".

Tip: To work your way through click the right pointing arrow after reading each page. 

Sam uses many trees in the story. Harness [Common Trees of Pennsylvania](#) or [Ohio Trees Index](#) to collect facts about these trees.

Ash, hemlock, hickory, white oak, walnut, locust, beechnut, willow, sassafras, slippery elm, poplar (tulip). [worksheet pdf](#)

Tree name	Deciduous Coniferous	Leaves compound or simple	Fruit type	Helps wildlife yes/no

1. Write as a fraction the number of deciduous trees compared with the whole number of trees.

2. What percentage of the trees, in the chart, are helpful to wildlife?

3. What percentage of the trees, in the chart, are helpful to birds?

Your class is planning a [habitat garden](#) for your school. One goal is to plant native plants and trees.

4. What factors should you consider when selecting the trees?

Which trees do you recommend they plant?

5. The habitat garden will be on the side of your school that faces south. Trees planted there can shade

your building during the hot days of the year.

[Which kind of trees](#) should be planted so that the winter sun can still shine on the south side of the building?

Why did you select these trees?

6. [Plants and People](#) - Look up one of the trees in the story in this web site. Write a way that people have used the tree.

7. Do a [tree inventory](#) of your home's yard, the school yard or a local park.

What are your findings?

 Watch [Green Thumbs video](#) - future channel Conduct the experiment. What are your findings?


Complete the [My Side of the Mountain Internet Hunt](#)

[Making Book Trailers with Photo Story 3](#) free software and free tutorial

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