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# GLOBE Trees

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Along with producing the oxygen that we breathe and providing habitats for animals, healthy forests are also an important carbon sink— meaning that they store carbon. Tree height is a primary indicator of how well an ecosystem can grow trees. NASA scientists study trees from space using satellites like ICESat-2, which measures forests using lasers. Your tree height and circumference measurements can help scientists understand how carbon moves through ecosystems.

Integrate GLOBE Trees into your programming by exploring the role of trees through a fun game of tag or using various tools and methods to measure tree height.

Resource Library

<p><b>Activities</b></p> <p>Find activities to integrate tree data, demonstrations, classes and more.</p>	<p><b>Books, Videos and Presentations</b></p> <p>Add books, videos and presentations to your program.</p>	<p><b>Printables and Promotional Materials</b></p> <p>Provide your program with these resources and give others something to enjoy, too.</p>
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**Quick Facts**

Why measure tree height? What do trees have to do with Earth's carbon cycle? Prepare for your program or develop a script using these common questions.

**Tips and Troubleshooting**

**Safety**



Trees are a type of land cover and they often rely on the precipitation carried by clouds, while also impacting the formation of clouds.

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The new GLOBE Observer and Mission Overview at ICESat-2 measures the height of a changing Earth and how trees like yours fit into the picture.

# Activity

## Seeing Trees in 2D and 3D

This demonstration uses blocks to compare different types of satellite data.

One represents the 2D data (forest extent) collected by Landsat 8, while the other represents the 3D data (forest height) collected by ICESat-2.





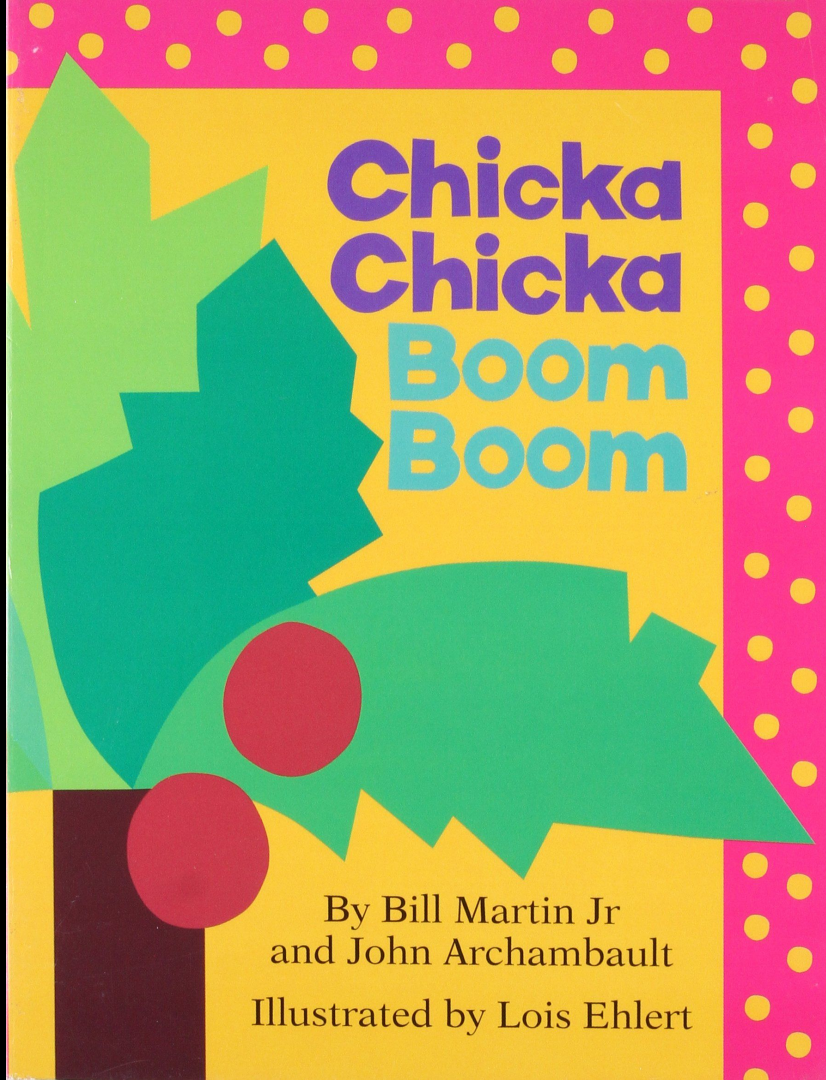
# Printable

## Paper Clinometer

Build a clinometer using a straw, a weight, string, and a piece of paper. There is a worksheet for calculating tree height on the back. Compare your measurements from the clinometer and the app.

# Books for All Ages

[www.worldcat.org/profiles/GLOBE\\_Observer/lists](http://www.worldcat.org/profiles/GLOBE_Observer/lists)



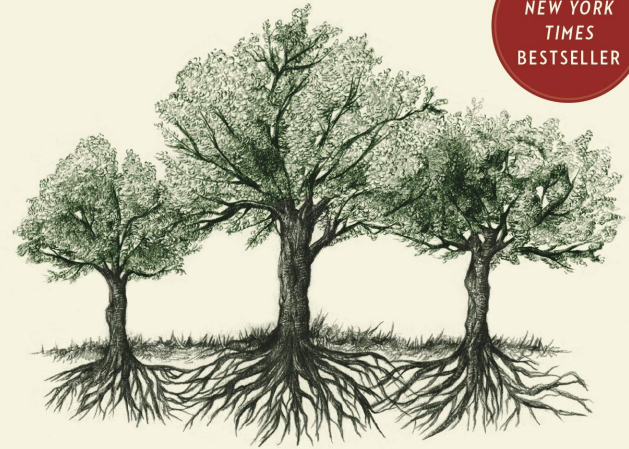
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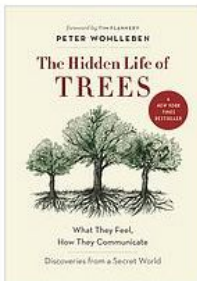


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# TREES CHALLENGE 2020

APRIL 1 - APRIL 30

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day and the 25th Anniversary of the GLOBE Program, we are challenging you to make every tree count by contributing to a global inventory. The individuals, teams, and schools that measure the most trees will be recognized.

To get started, download the free GLOBE Observer app from the Apple App Store or Google Play.

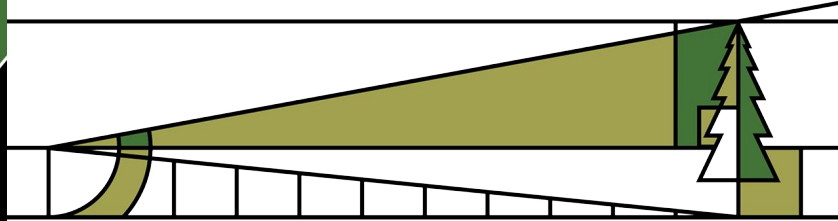


Learn More:  
[OBSERVER.GLOBE.GOV/TREES-2020](https://OBSERVER.GLOBE.GOV/TREES-2020)

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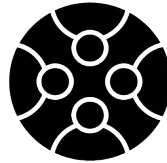
## MEASURE TREES (NO CLIMBING REQUIRED)

The GLOBE Observer app uses the angle measured by your phone's sensors and an estimated step length based on your height to calculate tree height.



## DO SCIENCE WITH NASA

Our goal is to contribute to a global tree inventory. Observing tree height allows NASA scientists to study forest health and better understand the role that trees play in Earth's global carbon cycle.



## TEAM UP

Learn more about joining a team, creating a team, or participating as a school at:  
[OBSERVER.GLOBE.GOV/TREES-2020](https://OBSERVER.GLOBE.GOV/TREES-2020)

## GET UPDATES

Follow us on social media for updates on Trees Challenge 2020 and other news, events, and releases:



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FrogWatch Akron Zoo

**FrogWatch Akron Zoo**  
Ohio, United States of America  
Established: 2019  
Elevation: 1,111.000000

Data Site Locations



Altitude: 2  
Depth: 1

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# TREES CHALLENGE 2020

APRIL 1 - APRIL 30

**GET STARTED**  
Download the GLOBE Observer app and start measuring tree height with your phone's built-in sensors.

**TEAM UP WITH US**  
Go to settings and join our team!

Team Name: **FrogWatch Akron Zoo**

Referral Code:

In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Earth Day and the 25th Anniversary of the GLOBE Program, we are challenging you to make every tree count by using the GLOBE Observer app to contribute to a global tree inventory.

**LEARN MORE**  
[observer.globe.gov/trees-2020](https://observer.globe.gov/trees-2020)

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# Community Connections

**People are often concerned about local issues because the impacts are more tangible; and when people are concerned about an issue, they often want to know what they can do about it.**

You can engage your audiences in science that doesn't just help NASA with our global research, but also with a local or regional issue that they're concerned about.







# Science Topics

- Invasive Species
  - Spruce Beetle
  - Emerald Ash Borer
  - Hemlock Woolly Adelgid
- Disease
- Wildfires
  - Burn Intensity
  - Burn Recovery
- Habitats
  - Monarchs and Eucalyptus Trees
  - Habitat Restoration
- Public Health
  - Urban Heat Island Effect
  - Air Pollution
- Drought

# Finding Local Experts



## **Colleagues**

Are there researchers or resource managers that are a part of your organization or system?



## **Government**

Which local and state government organizations might be interested in your topic? Park Service, Dept. of the Environment, Forest Service, etc.



## **Universities**

Are there universities nearby? Do they have an environmental science department or other related department?

## Connecting to Other Projects

We ask for tree height measurements because this data can help us study the health and mass of forests at a global scale. For local and regional topics, you may wish to collect additional data through another project.

Add what you find to your field notes within the app, or simply note that you took a concurrent observation.

**iNaturalist**

**eBird**

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**scistarter**  
Science we can do together.

# Online Resources

## **Trees Challenge 2020**

[observer.globe.gov/trees-2020](https://observer.globe.gov/trees-2020)

## **Toolkit for Informal Educators**

[observer.globe.gov/toolkit](https://observer.globe.gov/toolkit)

## **SciStarter**

[scistarter.org](https://scistarter.org)

## **Thriving Earth Exchange**

[thrivingearthexchange.org](https://thrivingearthexchange.org)

## **NASA Scientific Visualization Studio**

[svs.gsfc.nasa.gov](https://svs.gsfc.nasa.gov)

## **National Park Service Gallery**

[npgallery.nps.gov](https://npgallery.nps.gov)

## **USFWS Digital Library**

[digitalmedia.fws.gov](https://digitalmedia.fws.gov)