

Fantasy

The illustration shows a tree with a dark brown trunk and branches. The canopy of the tree is made of a pink quilted fabric with various patterns like stars, hearts, and moons. Several colorful birds (yellow, orange, and red) are flying around the tree. The background is a solid green color.

The Sick Tree

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PAIRED
READ

Beach Clean-Up

STRATEGIES & SKILLS

Comprehension

Strategy: Reread

Skill: Character, Setting,
Events

High-Frequency Words

all, call, day, her, want

Phonics

Consonant digraphs
th, sh, -ng

Content Standards

Social Studies

Civics

Word count: 161**

**The total word count is based on words in the running text and headings only. Numerals and words in captions, labels, diagrams, charts, and sidebars are not included.



Genre Fantasy



Essential Question

How do people help out in the community?



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Look at all the leaves.
They hang on the tree.
Then they fall down.



This tree is sick.
We want to save it.
We will make it better.

Trish has tape. She will
tape her leaf to the tree.





This tree is still sick.
We wish the leaves
would not fall.

We can cover it up.
The tree will be warm.



The leaves fall and fall.
The tree is still sick.





I give the tree a drink.
Will that help?

No, a drink did not help.
What can we do?





We call for help.
Rabbit stops.

He says, "This tree is not
sick. New leaves will grow
in the spring."

The tree is not sick!

“Thank you, Rabbit,”
we say.

What a great day!



Respond to Reading

Retell

Use the chart
to retell
The Sick Tree.

Character	Setting	Events

Text Evidence

1. Look at page 4. What is Trish doing? **Character, Setting, Events**
2. Look at page 10. Who comes to help the birds? **Character, Setting, Events**
3. How can you tell *The Sick Tree* is a make-believe story? **Genre**



Genre Nonfiction

Compare Texts

Read about cleaning up a beach.

Beach Clean-Up



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Look at this beach. There is a lot of trash on it. We want a clean beach. Let's pick up the mess. We need the right tools.



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Tools for a Beach Clean-Up

1. bags
2. gloves
3. shovels
4. sunblock
5. hat



Make Connections

What are some ways to help nature in a community?

Text to Text

Focus on Genre

Fantasy Fantasy is a made-up story that could not happen in real life.

What to Look for In *The Sick Tree*, the animals talk. Real animals don't talk.

Your Turn

Pretend you are a bird. You see a tree that looks sick. How will you try to fix the tree? Draw a picture to show what you will do. Talk about your picture.

Thinkmark

Characters

What kind of characters are in *The Sick Tree*?

Plot

What is the problem in the story?

Sequence of Events

What happens after Trish tapes the leaf?