

Ann's Creative Corner

Project #810: Spring Trees and Buds!

- Out of scrap brown paper such as brown construction paper, cut various sizes and curves of tree branch shapes as well as various sizes of tree trunk shapes.
- These pieces may be glued together onto another piece of plain paper, construction paper or poster board.
- Glue the pieces onto your paper to create your own kind of tree. Children should be free to decide what they view as a tree. This could mean many branches or just one or two.....
- Details such as the curves and lines in the tree trunk may be added using a pencil, felt marker or crayons.
- Add some small buds to the branches using some small bud shapes. These could be derived from the buds that you may see on the ground after a windy day. Glue these real buds onto your creation with non toxic liquid white glue and let dry.
- Other scenery may be added such as background scenery like houses, rivers, lakes, sky etc. Try drawing or painting with a thin paint brush.
- Use a tree template shape and add some blossoms and leaves from tissue paper.

Activity: Go on a Tree Walk

As a group or a family, take a walk to view various types of trees. Some are deciduous and some evergreen. Which ones are growing buds? Will the buds be leaves or blossoms?

