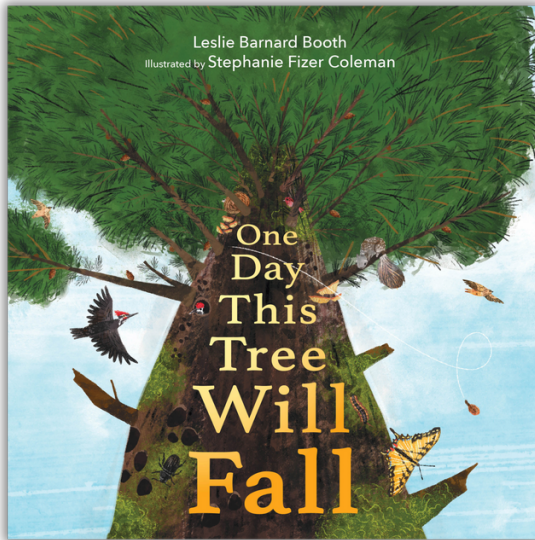


BEGINNING, MIDDLE, AND END



Discover how a tree's wounds and decay bring new life to the forest ecosystem in this lyrical nonfiction picture book for fans of *Because of an Acorn* and *A Stone Sat Still*.

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INTRODUCTION

You can use the informational picture book *One Day This Tree Will Fall* to explore beginning, middle, and end and to write your own story with this structure.

MATERIALS

- Beginning/Middle/End graphic organizer (included below)
- Brainstorm worksheet (included below)
- Lined paper

STEPS

- Discuss the concepts of beginning, middle, and end, explaining the role of each story part.
- Introduce *One Day This Tree Will Fall*. Set a purpose for reading: Ask students to think about what happens at the beginning, middle, and end of the book.
- Read the book to the class.
- Discuss the book and have students fill out the Beginning/Middle/End graphic organizer.
- Ask students to think about something in nature that grows and changes. They can brainstorm using the Brainstorm worksheet.
- Now invite students to choose a topic from their Brainstorm worksheet and write and illustrate a short story about it that has a beginning, middle, and end.

Name:

Draw or write what happened at the beginning, middle, and end of the book.

Beginning

Middle

End

Name:

Brainstorm

Make a list of things in nature that grow and change.
Then choose the one you want to write about.

Ideas

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