Mother Earth provides us with so many gifts! She supplies us with everything that we need in order to survive. Native American elders teach others to be grateful for all life. They honor the Earth as our Mother and the sky as our Father. They teach us how to show gratitude to all living creatures for the gifts that they provide to us. Being grateful teaches us to value those gifts and to respect where they have come from. Have you ever thought about where the things that you use every day come from? In this activity, you will learn about just some of the gifts that we get from trees!

Materials needed:

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Step #1

Go outside and gather a handful of branches.

Step #2

Place pebbles in the jar or vase about ½ way to the top.

Step #3

Start placing the branches into the jar or vase, sinking them in the pebbles to hold them in place.

Step #4

Cut out pictures and tape a piece of string to the back of each picture.

Step #5

Hang the pictures on the branches with the string.

Step #6

Give thanks to Mother Earth for the trees and for all the things that she has given us!
Paper
Sled
Outdoor Playset
Stairs
Nuts
Maple Syrup
Furniture
School desk
House
Money
Baseball Bat
Apple
Guitars
Firewood
Pencils
Books
Oxygen
Orange
Pokémon Cards
Toilet Paper