

### Grade 3: Drama, Dance and Critical Literacy Tree and Animal Poem

#### I am the Tree

I look forward to a visit from the squirrel who will take my seeds and spread them around.

I wish you could feel how soft the soil is around me thanks to my friends' droppings.

I am bursting with food- my branches are heavy to hold. Thankfully, my animal friends eat these fruits and help me feel light again.

It's always nice to see my friends, bee and butterfly. They tickle me as they eat nectar from my flowers.

The animals know that they can depend on me. I keep them safe as they hide from their predators.

#### I am the Animal

Thank goodness for the tree! It provides us with shelter.  
I use its branches to make my home  
I build my nest there.  
I build a hive.  
I live on the trunk.

We make sure to be around our friend the tree when food passes through our body.

I use the tree to help me find my food as I search below. As I walk, I knock down fruit for my fellow animals to eat.

I climb and eat the fruits from the tree.

We are pollinators-we eat the nectar from the tree's flowers and move it to other places so that the same beautiful flowers can grow elsewhere!

I use fallen branches to help me catch bugs or to crack open nuts for food.

We make sure that the entire tree is taken care of and used.