



Nova & the Whispering Woods 🌳 Video Story & Worksheet 📝

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Big Ideas, Content & Curricular Competencies: Communication, Active Listening, Asking Questions, Comprehend and Connect, Recognizing Familiar words, Making Meaning from Story using Pictures, Memory, Use developmentally appropriate **reading, listening, and viewing strategies** to make meaning. More [here](#).

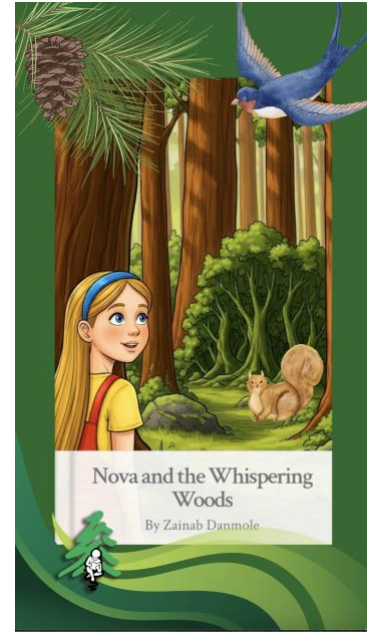
Age/Grade:

English Language Arts grades K – 3 or children aged 5 -7.

Instructional Strategies:

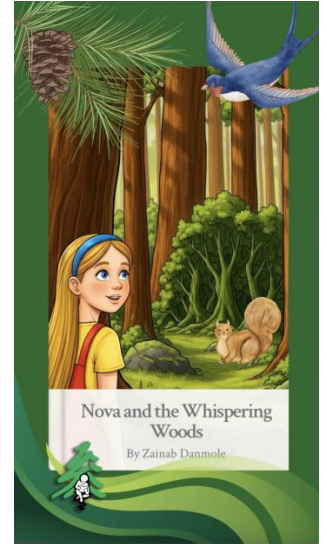
1. Watch the *Nova and the Whispering Woods* YouTube video story [here](#) or click the book cover at top left.
2. Then, read each sentence and fill in the missing word from the story!
3. Ask children to share their own experiences from woods walks or similar outdoor adventures. What did they enjoy the most? Did they see any birds or animals or bugs?
4. Ask them to draw or paint a picture of their favourite memory from that day. If some students can't remember or are unsure, try exploring a nearby wooded area or park. If that's not accessible or weather is poor, watch this [woods walk video](#) for kids and draw something from that.
5. Can students name anything they use that comes from trees? (Hints: paper, rulers, pencils, their home, desk, furniture etc.)

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Answer Key on page 3.



WORKSHEET: Fill in the Blanks with the Right Word

1. Nova loved exploring the Whispering Woods, but lately, the woods felt a bit _____.
2. The _____ seemed a little _____.
3. Nova met Grove, the Forest _____, who was tending to a baby tree, called a _____.
4. Old, crowded trees can become easy targets for _____.
5. The forest workers carefully _____ some of the older trees to keep the forest _____.
6. For every tree they take, they plant _____ new trees.
7. Grove explained that _____ are like nature's original loggers, helping to shape the forest and streams.
8. Nova and her _____ decided to help keep the woods healthy for years to come!



Teacher/Parent Answer Key on page 3.

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1. **Sad**
2. **Stream, Lower**
3. **Guardian, Sapling**
4. **Wildfires**
5. **Harvest, Strong**
6. **Three**
7. **Beavers**
8. **Friends**