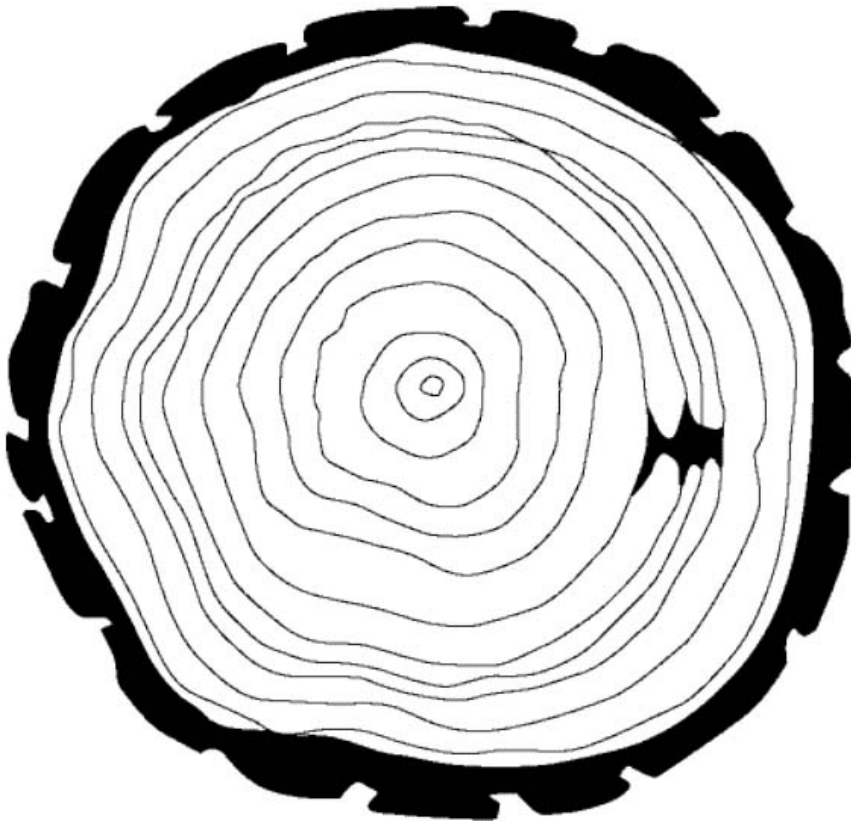


Tree Cookie Project

If you have access to a real tree slice, you can use it for this activity, or use the diagram below.



- 1 Each ring represents one year of growth. How old was the tree when it was cut down?
- 2 Assuming the tree was cut down this year, can you find the ring that represents the year you were born, or when you got your dog, or other family milestone?
- 3 Use push pins with little slips of paper to make your family milestones, or write them on the tree cookie diagram above.
- 4 Can you find any narrow rings that might indicate stress on the tree such as low rainfall?
- 5 Can you find any areas of the tree cookie that look like the tree was damaged? What might have caused the damage?

Diagram courtesy of *Project Learning Tree*. For more information visit: www.plt.org

