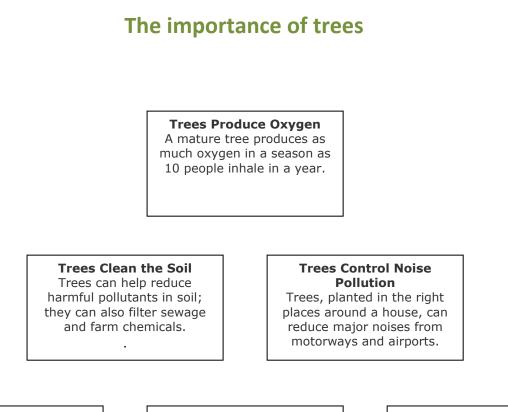
Starfishers Diamond ranking exercise:



## Trees Slow Storm Water Runoff Flash flooding can be

Flash flooding can be dramatically reduced by a forest or by planting trees **Trees Are Carbon Stores** Trees absorbs Carbon dioxide which is a possible cause of global warming

## Trees Clean the Air Trees help cleanse the air by intercepting airborne particles, reducing heat, and absorbing pollutants.

## Trees Shade and Cool

Trees shade buildings in summer and protect us against cold winds in winter reducing air conditioning and fuel bills.

## **Trees Fight Soil Erosion** Tree roots bind the soil and

their leaves break the force of wind and rain also conserving rainwater

Trees Increase Property Values Trees beautify a garden or neighborhood and can increase the property value

of your home

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