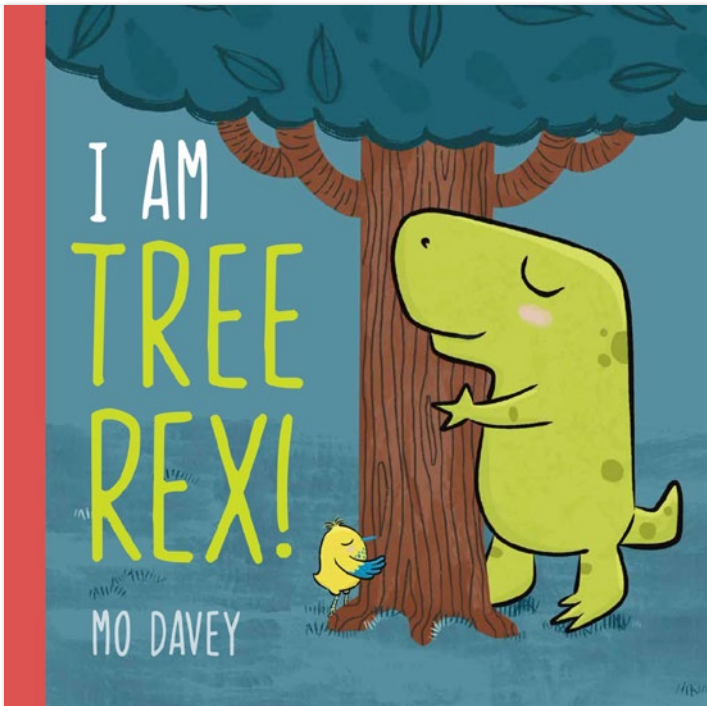


Teachers' notes for **I am Tree Rex!**



ABOUT THE BOOK

SYNOPSIS

Rex loves counting and hugging every one of his twenty-one trees. So, he is absolutely heartbroken when one of his trees goes missing. Where could it be? Who could have taken it? Rex isn't the only one who wants to know. A little bird who lost her home comes to him for help. Together, and with a group of feathered friends, they hatch a plan to scare away the tree cutters once and for all.

Tree Rex and his friends will inspire readers to care for the trees around them and protect them with all their might, in this hopeful story of environmental activism.

Title:	I am Tree Rex!
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AUTHOR / ILLUSTRATOR

Mo Davey loves forests just like Tree Rex. She thinks this is because she has always lived by the beach on the tiny island of Jersey where she was born and on the huge island called Australia where she lives now. *I am Tree Rex!* is her debut picture book.

THEMES

- Environmentalism
- Ecology
- Teamwork
- Kindness
- Empathy
- Creativity
- Problem-solving

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FOR THE CLASSROOM

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Why does Rex count his trees each day? Can you think of a routine that brings you comfort each day?
- Why do you think Rex finds a bird at his door? Did the bird make a good choice by seeking him out? Why or why not?
- What do you think it means that more birds keep coming to Rex's door? Is there a reason they keep coming to him?
- Rex decides that he needs a costume to scare the Tree Cutters away. Why do you think he feels that way? What role do the birds play in helping him with his plan?
- What does Rex do after he celebrates the departure of the Tree Cutters? How do you think his decision will impact the forest?
- Can you find a small difference between the front and back endpapers? Why do you think the author/illustrator chose to show this change from the front endpapers to the back?
- Do you think Rex is a brave dinosaur? Why or why not?

ACTIVITIES

- Rex and the birds make a plan to scare the Tree Cutters away. Can you design a different plan for them to try? Draw your plan and any costumes it might include.
- If it were up to you to stop the Tree Cutters, what might you do to make them go away? Draw a picture or write down what your plan might be.
- In this story, even a big T-Rex needs help from his friends. Can you make a list or draw a picture of five activities that are easier to do with the help of a team?
- In the end, Rex decides to plant more seeds. Draw a picture of what you think his forest will look like after they grow.

