## CHRISTMAS TREE VOCABULARY



OUTER BARK	the outermost coating of a tree's trunk; protects the tree from outside surroundings like a shield
INNER BARK	also known as the "phloem," where food and nutrients are passed through the tree
CAMBIUM CELL LAYER	part of the tree trunk that is actively growing
SAPWOOD	new wood that serves as the tree's water pipeline
HEARTWOOD	innermost part of the trunk; this part of the tree is technically dead
CROWN	branches, leaves, and reproductive structures extending from the trunk or main stems of a tree
DECIDUOUS TREE	a tree that drops its leaves for part of the year
CONIFER	any variety of tree that bears its seeds in cones; often referred to as "evergreens" since they keep their needles all year



Knowing the proper words and their definitions allows us to communicate more clearly about a topic! Use these vocabulary terms when discussing this topic.