



## Riddles

What tree keeps animals warm?

**Firs**

What tree sighs and languishes?

**A Pine**

What tree is found after a fire burns out?

**Ashes**

What tree is older than others?

**The Elder**

## Did you know?

11 million Christmas Trees are grown and sold in the U.S. each year.

Pines, Spruce, Fir, Hemlocks and Cedars are all examples of evergreens that are also conifers.

Not all conifers are evergreen. For example, trees in the larch family (also called tamaracks) shed their needles each fall.

Conifers produce both male and female cones, but it is the female ones that we think of as Pinecones.

## Discover Evergreens

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z  
9 14 6 13 25 15 21 4 11 19 20 5 12 26 24 1 22 10 7 18 2 17 16 3 23 8

Use the special code to find the names of the trees pictured. Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. A few characteristics of each tree are listed beneath their twigs. Which tree did you bring home for the holidays?



13 24 2 21 5 9 7 15 11 10

Sharp, pointed buds  
Color of needles is same on all sides  
Cones hang downward



7 1 10 2 6 25

Four-sided needles  
Bluish green to dark green  
Downward hanging cones



15 11 10

Needles whitish underneath  
Needles flat  
Buds rounded  
Upright cones



1 11 26 25

Long needles in clusters  
Needles pointed at ends