

Name _____

Changing Needs

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

(Responses will vary, but here are sample ideas.)

1. People sometimes take things for granted because they assume they will always be there. We may not realize how much someone does for us until they are gone.
2. Some might change the ending by having the boy plant a new tree, apologize, or take care of the tree before it became a stump.
3. A parent, grandparent, teacher, or friend might be like the tree. Showing appreciation can be as simple as saying "thank you," spending time with them, or helping them in return.
4. Some might argue the tree was happy because she loved the boy, while others might think she should have set limits on how much she gave.

