



Activity One Worksheet III

Student Name _____ Date _____

The following lines appear in Robert Frost’s poem, [Birches](#). Read the poem in its entirety, and then answer the questions that follow about the simile contained in these lines.

*You may see their trunks arching in the woods,
Years afterwards, trailing their leaves on the ground
Like girls on hands and knees that throw their hair
Before them over their heads to dry in the sun.*

What is this simile referring to within the context of the poem?

How is this description different from saying that the trees were bent?

How is this description different from saying that the trees were girls drying their hair in the sun?

What makes this an effective simile and why?
