

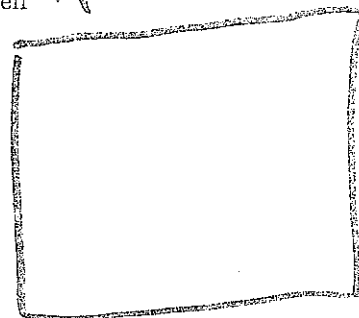
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Do Trees Cry?

We all know that dogs and cats cry out when they get thirsty but did you know that perhaps trees do, too. Trees derive 90% of the moisture they need from the atmosphere the other 10% comes from the soil. Scientists have discovered that some plants give off ultrasonic chirps during a drought. When their vascular systems are under stress. The longer the stress lasts, the more the chirps increase. The sound is too high for humans to hear but insects can hear it. This way insects can tell defenseless trees from healthy ones, and will attack a tree who is chirping rather than one who is not.

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An "Idiotic" Idea

The ancient Greek astronomer Ptolemy came up with the theory that the earth was motionless, and that all of the other heavenly bodies moved in complicated patterns around the earth. This theory was widely accepted for nearly 14 hundred yrs. Then the Polish astronomer Copernicus developed the idea of a heliocentric system. In which the planets revolved around the sun. He wasn't hardly the first to have this bright idea. Before Ptolemy's time the Greek astronomer Aristarchus around 290 bc suggests that the earth and all the other planets revolved around the sun, he was considered a idiot. For religious and other reasons people desperately wanted to believe that the earth is the center of the Universe.