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10th Standard - English

The Trees Summary

Adrienne Rich's poem 'The Trees' is a voice with a body engaged in activities and sensing intrusions that are not organic to the conventions of a nature poem. This poem narrates the struggle of a population of trees to escape the confines of a green house or container of nature.

The poet tells us that how trees want to break out of the bondage of manmade things and reunite with their natural surroundings. The message is that the forests have disappeared. So people have planted trees in their homes. Trees are revolting as they have lost their natural usefulness. No bird's nest in them, nor do they spread their shadows to tired people.