A Book Of Trees

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The Giving Tree is an American children's picture book written and illustrated by Shel Silverstein. First published in 1964 by Harper & Row, it has become one of Silverstein's best-known titles, and has been translated into numerous languages. This book has been described as "one of the most divisive books in children's literature"; the controversy stems from whether the relationship between the main characters (a boy and the titular tree) should be interpreted as positive Book Trees are trees which grow in the kingdom of Oogaboo. Jo Files has nine book-trees in his orchard. These book trees grow a choice selection of story-books, encased in broad green husks which, when fully ripe, turn to a deep red color. When the books are picked and husked they are ready to read. If they are picked too soon, the stories are found to be confused and uninteresting and the spelling bad. If allowed to ripen perfectly, the stories are fine reading and the spelling and grammar excellent.