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In school I have been researching and learning about North Carolina Forest products and how many wood products are made from trees and how wood chemicals are used in many products I use everyday. I was surprised to learn toothpaste, oreos, and nail polish all have wood chemicals in them. The three things that are important to me that come from trees are my house, books, and baking ingredients.

One thing important to me is my house. My house is important because it provides shelter, and I spend time with my family there. My family is building a new house right now. Through this process I can see the framing. The framing is wood boards nailed together that make up the walls and the beams that hold up the house too. Framing is important to me because my family wrote Bible verses on the frames of our new house. We wrote the verses because we wanted our house to be built on Jesus. It will be a few months before our house is built. I can not wait to see what other wood products will be used in our house.

One other thing that is important to me is books. I would rather hold a real book than read a book digitally. I like the way real books feel. I use books almost every day at school and at home. Every night, my family reads a devotion together. Books are important to me because I enjoy using my free time to read.

I love baking. I love to make sweets and then get to taste the deliciousness. In class I learned about a part of a tree called cellulose. Cellulose gum helps keep baked goods moist. Cellulose is added in a lot of ingredients I use when baking. Even though I am serving my family something with wood in it, the cellulose helps it taste good.

These products I use everyday are important things to me that come from trees. I thought it was fascinating learning about wood products that I use a lot.