Jelly Bean Tree
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If only jelly beans grew on trees!
I'd pick the flavors that I please.
I'd build a treehouse - YES! That way,
I could munch on sweets all day!

Just open up my door, and LUNCH!
Caramel corn, and sweet fruit punch,
and coconuts, and tangerines -
NEVER out of jelly beans!

Jelly beans on trees? So handy!
French vanilla, cotton candy,
juicy pear, peach, lime, and plum,
apple, melon, bubble gum...

It's time to make my dream come true.
I think I know just what to do:
I'll plant some jelly beans and wait.
My candy tree will be so great!
1) “I could munch on sweets all day”. What is the meaning of “all day”?

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2) Recount some of the flavors that the child wishes to have.

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3) What does the child decide to do in the last stanza?

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4) Pick any six pairs of rhyming words from the poem.

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5) If you had a jelly bean tree, what flavors would you like to have?

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1) “I could munch on sweets all day”. What is the meaning of “all day”?

All day means throughout the day.

2) Recount some of the flavors that the child wishes to have.

French vanilla, cotton candy, juicy pear, peach, lime, plum, apple, melon,

bubble gum and many more.

3) What does the child decide to do in the last stanza?

The child decides to plant some jelly beans and wait for them to grow.

4) Pick any six pairs of rhyming words from the poem.

trees-please, way-day, lunch-punch, tangerines-beans, candy-handly,

plum-gum

5) If you had a jelly bean tree, what flavors would you like to have?

Answers may vary.