

OCTOBER

Autumn has arrived and soon leaves will be falling!
We have gathered some fabulous seasonal books
and activities for you and your child to
read/complete together!

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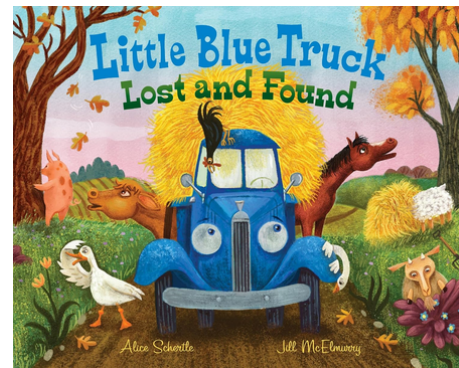
The Last Leaf
by Ali Pye

A sweet, autumnal story about a nervous little puppy named Parker who learns what happens at the end of autumn and that change isn't always scary; sometimes it can be great!



We All Play
by Julie Flett

Celebrate Indigenous People's Day with this story. This celebration of nature is sprinkled with words from the Cree language and celebrates our interconnection with the creatures who share our world.



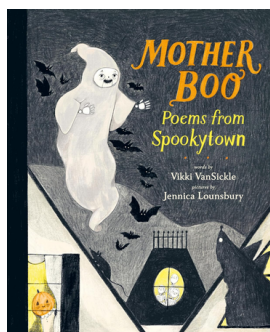
Little Blue Truck Lost and Found
by Alice Schertle

Toad helps prepare for a hayride by loading hay into Little Blue's truck bed. But when everyone is ready for a ride, Toad is nowhere to be found!



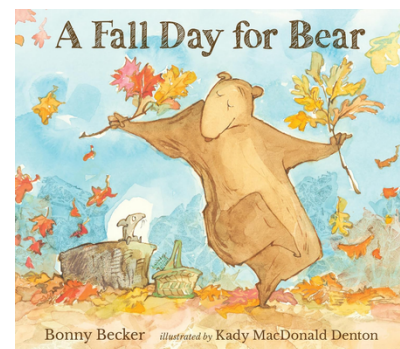
The Pumpkin Thief
by Alice Hemming

Squirrel and Bird are back, with a mystery in the vegetable patch! Bird's pumpkins keep disappearing, and this time there's EVIDENCE-footprints, peck-marks, a feather! There is a PUMPKIN THIEF!



Mother Boo: Poems from Spookytown
by Vikki VanSickle

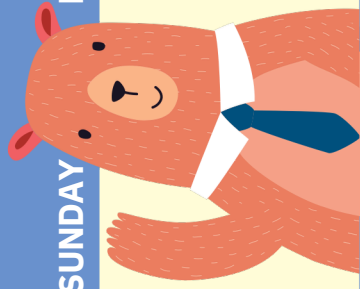
A fun collection of spooky poems featuring Mother Boo, a friendly old ghost, and a whole town of familiar and friendly Halloween faces!



A Fall Day for Bear
by Bonny Becker

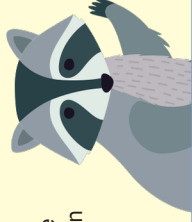
One fall day, Bear finds his usually upbeat friend, Mouse, not feeling so upbeat. Check out this story to see what Bear can do to get his friend feeling more like himself again.

Daily Fun with Your Little One!



Help your child get ready to learn to read!

Each day features a fun activity that will help your child build pre-reading skills. Activities are color-coded by skill. Ask your children's librarian for more ideas on how to promote early literacy skills with daily activities at home.



SUNDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

4 Rhymes

Take turns rhyming spooky words like "cat" and "bat."

5 Sounds

Head outside and find a few crunchy leaves. Can you recreate the crunch sound?

6 Writing

Help your child draw candy corn pieces and color each one.

7 Math

It's Pumpkin Seed Day. Count pumpkin seeds together and afterwards, roast the seeds in the oven for a tasty snack!

8 Play

Using yarn or string, create a spider web in the corner of a room.

9 Songs

Make up a song about the things that make October fun!

10 Play

It's Walk to a Park Day. Find a local park nearby and take a walk together.

11 Reading

Take a trip to the library and check out the "new releases" section. Pick out a book to take home.

12 Science

Take a few pieces of hard-shelled candies and drop water on them. What happens to the colors?

13 Stories

Ask your child to tell you a story about a scarecrow that wants to be friends. What would they do first?

14 Science

It's Fossil Day. Take a trip to a local museum and learn about the different fossils together.

15 Rhymes

Pick out a book and look for rhyming words on each page. How many can you find?

16 Sounds

Say the ABCs like you're a ghost (Aaah, Beee, Ceee, ...).

17 Play

Pretend to trick-or-treat at different doors throughout your house.

18 Stories

Tell your child about a time you went trick-or-treating as a child and your favorite costume.

19 Writing

Set up a whiteboard where your child can practice writing different letters.

20 Songs

Rake up a pile of leaves and make up a theme song to play or sing for your child as they jump in!

21 Math

Bake banana bread and ask your child to help you measure the different ingredients.

22 Writing

Cut out a pumpkin shape using construction paper and ask your child to write their name on it.

23 Play

Take a trip to a local pumpkin patch and look at all the different-shaped pumpkins.

24 Science

Put a piece of paper over some different leaves and use a colored pencil to unveil each leaf's unique structure.

25 Math

Ask your child to draw a spider and number all eight legs!

26 Reading

Visit the local library and look for some spooky books to check out.

27 Math

Check the temperature outside. How does it compare to yesterday's temperature? What's the difference?

28 Sounds

See if you can find things around the house that make spooky sounds like a creaking door or a barking dog.

29 Writing

It's Cat Day. Help your child draw a cat with whiskers, fur, and pointy ears.

30 Stories

Read fall-themed stories to your child and ask them to share which one they liked best.

31 Play

It's Halloween! Prepare for the big night by dressing up in costume early in the day and pretending to be whatever you're dressed up as!

A story about a leaf

Write your own story about a leaf you found outside!

Today I found a leaf!

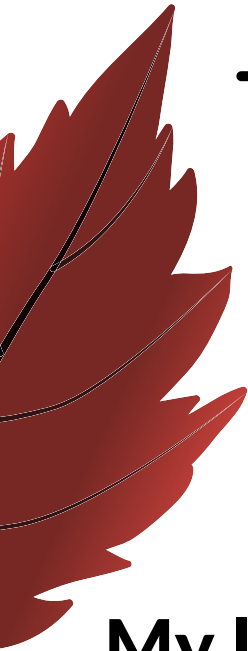
Its name is:

My leaf lives:

It really likes to:

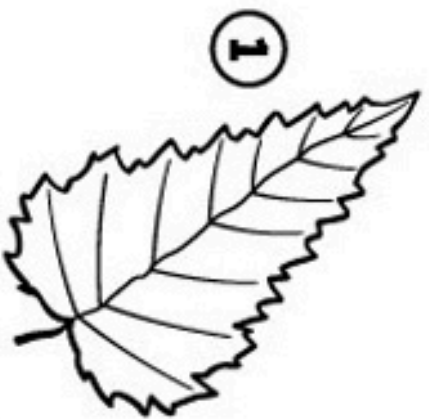
My leaf is really silly! It:

Here is a drawing of my leaf:



Leaf Matching

Can you find the 2 leaves that are the same?
Color them YELLOW.



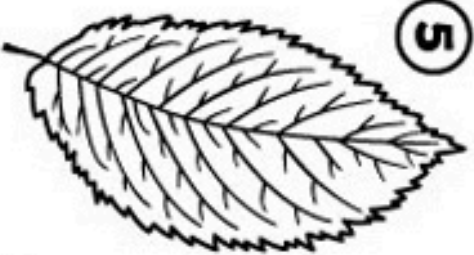
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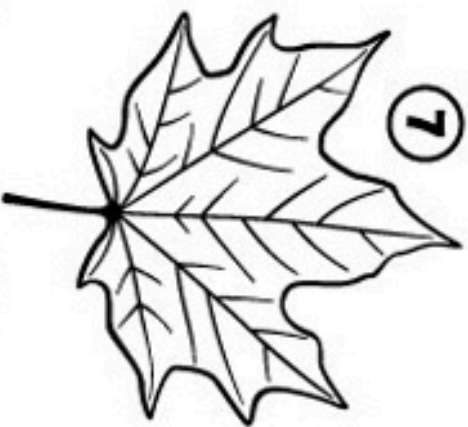
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Answer: 3 and 6 are the same.