



Songs & Fingerplays

Autumn Leaves are Falling Down tune: London Bridge is Falling Down

Autumn leaves are falling down, falling down, falling down. Autumn leaves are falling down, I love Autumn. [hold hands over head, wiggle fingers, and lower hands] Raking leaves is so much fun, so much fun, so much fun. Raking leaves is so much fun, I love Autumn. [make raking motions] Let's jump in and have some fun, have some fun, have some fun. Let's jump in and have some fun, I love Autumn. [jump forward]

Two Little Apples

Way up high in the apple tree [reach arms high in the air] Two little apples smiled down at me [hold up two fingers and smile] I shook that tree as hard as I could [shake the tree with 2 hands] Down came the apples [move arms down] Ummmm, ummm good! [rub tummy] Repeat with frowned, laughed, etc.

The Wheels on the Tractor

tune: The Wheels on the Bus

The wheels on the tractor go round and round Round and round, Round and round, The wheels on the tractor go round and round. All around the farm.

Additional verses: The engine on the tractor goes vroom, vroom, vroom...

The farmer on the tractor goes up and down...

The tractor in the field goes back and forth,...

The brakes on the tractor go squeak, squeak, squeak... When the work is done!

Theme: Fall Harvest

Books to Share



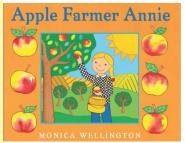
Fall is a time to celebrate the foods, colors, and activities that are a part of the harvest. This month we will be exploring life on the farm in autumn with Little Red, Autumn on the Farm. Children will also enjoy seeing the colors of Autumn in Red Are the Apples, and talking about favorite fall activities in *It's Fall*. We will also 🛿 join Grandma Cat as she makes a

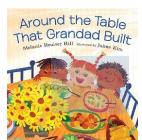
fall favorite, apple pie, for her family and friends in All for Pie, Pie for All. And of course, we will enjoy some songs, rhymes, and stories about all things fall. Grab your favorite fall sweater and cuddle up to enjoy the best of fall this month.

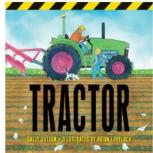
It's Fall by Renee Kurilla **Red Are the Apples** by Marc Harsham and Chervl Ryan Little Red, Autumn on the Farm by Will Hillenbrand All for Pie, Pie for All by David Martin

> **Music:** "The Leaves on the Tree" from Kids Pop Songs for Thanksgiving by the Kiboomers

Looking for more book ideas? **Check these out!**









Book of the Month from the Parent Teacher Collection

Wiggle, Giggle, and Shake by Rae Pica PTC

Looking for more ways to incorporate movement into your children's learning? Check out *Wiggle, Giggle, and Shake,* by Rae Pica. There are 200 different movement-inspiring activities that you can share with your children and families. This book provides simple, practical, and fun movement activities that are grouped by over 35 different themes.

Try a Fun Activity



Fall Leaf Q-Tip Painting

- Q-tips or cotton swabs
- Paint (variety of colors)
- Small sticks or twigs
- Glue
- Paper

Tip: To save time, the adult can complete the first 2 steps.

- 1. Help children collect a few small twigs or sticks from outside.
- 2. Glue the twigs or sticks to the paper to create a "tree."
- 3. Use the Q-tips to dot leaves around the "tree."

https://inspiremyplay.com/blogs/blog/25-of-the-best-autumn-activities-for-kids?srsltid=AfmBOorHC-

Every CHILD Ready to READ

To support developing literacy in preschoolers, select books that play with the sound in words. As you read books that play with phonemes, invite children to play with sounds. For example, in *Cock-a-Doodle-Moo,* by Bernard Most, the cow says "sock-a-noodle moo" and "rock-a -poodle moo." Invite children to make up other silly versions of rooster sounds that they invent (such as "lock-a-boodle moo).

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More Rhymes Growing an Apple Tree

Once a little apple seed was planted in the ground. ["plant" a seed in the ground] Down came the raindrops falling all around. [raise arms, then lower arms and wiggle fingers] Out came the big sun, bright as bright could be. ["raise their arms over head in a large round shape] And that little apple seed grew up to be an apple tree! [stand up tall and raise arms over their head.]

Scarecrow, Scarecrow

tune: Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star

Scarecrow, Scarecrow turn around. Scarecrow, Scarecrow touch the ground. Stand up tall and blink your eyes. Raise your hands up to the sky. Clap your hands, then tap your knees. Turn around and tap your feet.

Scarecrow, Scarecrow touch your toes. Scarecrow, Scarecrow tap your nose. Swing your arms so very slow, Now real fast to scare the crows! Touch your head, jump up and down. Now sit down without a sound.

My Hands Say Thank You

My hands say thank you With a clap, clap, clap My feet say thank you With a tap, tap, tap Clap, Clap, Clap Tap, Tap, Tap We roll our hands to say... Have a wonderful day!

Questions or suggestions?

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