



Get Ready to Read

with Medina County District Library

Fall Fun with Leaves

Autumn is a fun time to take your child on a nature walk to collect fall leaves. Visit a park or walk around the neighborhood gathering leaves. Talk about what you see. These conversations introduce new vocabulary and build children's powers of observation. Gather a pile of colorful leaves and explore your finds together.

- **Sort leaves by color.** How many did you find of each color? Which color did you find the most?
- **Compare their sizes.** Make different piles for small and large leaves.
- **Observe their shapes.** Some leaves have several tips, and some are oval with only one tip.
- **Discuss how they feel.** Are they smooth? Rough?
- **Explore your engineering skills.** What can you build out of the leaves? A house? A design?
- **Move your body like a leaf.** How would it move in the wind? Or fall off of a high tree?
- **Create art.** Rub a leaf with crayons. Use leaves as a paint brush. Make a collage. Poke holes in them.

Medina County Fall Foliage Tour

Oct. 12-13, 12:00 - 5:00 pm, Buckeye Library
Buckeye Library is a stop on the Medina County Fall Foliage Tour, a drive-it-yourself tour of agricultural, educational, or historical stops.

Song

Autumn Leaves

(to the tune of *London Bridge*)

Autumn leaves are falling down,
Falling down, falling down.
Autumn leaves are falling down.
All around the town.

The wind will blow them round and round,
Round and round, round and round.
The wind will blow them round and round.
All around the town.

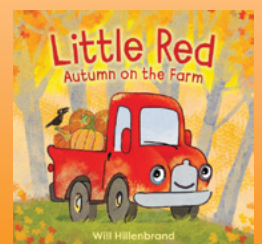
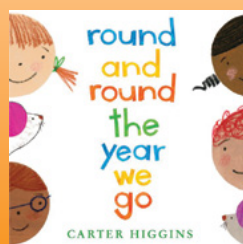
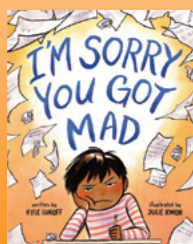
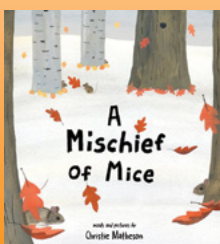
They're drifting gently to the ground,
To the ground, to the ground.
They're drifting gently to the ground.
All around the town.

Take a rake and rake them up,
Rake them up, rake them up.
Take a rake and rake them up.
All around the town.

Books to Read

Sometimes We Fall by Randall de Sève
A Mischief of Mice by Christie Matheson
I'm Sorry You Got Mad by Kyle Lukoff

Round and Round the Year We Go by Carter Higgins
Pizza for Birds by Bob Shea
Little Red, Autumn on the Farm by Will Hillenbrand





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Fun activities to promote literacy and learning

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Act out your favorite story with stuffed animals.	2 Use chalk and draw fall things.	3 Play <i>I Spy</i> with shapes.	4 Sing <i>Autumn Leaves</i> (Words on other side.)	5 Listen to lullabies before bed.
6 Find something in your kitchen with words on it.	7 Think of words that rhyme with fall.	8 Rake leaves then jump in the pile!	9 Share a wordless picture book together.	10 Use blocks to make a block line or road.	11 Play with play dough.	12 Medina County Fall Foliage Tour at Buckeye Library (Details on other side.)
13 At snack time, count the pieces of food.	14 Have a dance party with a song from hoopla.	15 Draw a pumpkin with a silly face on it.	16 Read a non-fiction book about autumn.	17 Create a fall box with leaves and things you find in the fall.	18 Play frog by squatting then hopping.	19 Make a card or drawing to give to a friend.
20 Look at pictures of people. How are they feeling?	21 Pick out a favorite book.	22 Go for a walk outside and look for pumpkins.	23 Visit a pumpkin patch, talk about how they grow.	24 Tell a story to your pet or stuffed animal.	25 Talk about what makes you feel happy.	26 Play dress up in a fun costume.
27 Find a book with animals and make their sounds.	28 Sing <i>London Bridge is Falling Down</i> .	29 Check out a book at the library you have never read before.	30 Grab a basket and act out <i>Little Red Riding Hood</i> .	31 Read a book about Halloween.		

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