



Fall into Literacy



In Fall we shift our focus from *playing* to *learning*. Children may find this transition easy since they are expert at doing both with little effort. It's been said that *play* is a child's real work and children *learn best through play*. Play and learn as a family this Fall:

- Go for a family hike and talk about what you see, hear, and smell—comment, ask questions.
- Collect treasures from nature; help your children learn about them on the web or in a field guide.
- Visit the Farmer's Market; point to and read produce signs. Invite your child to make a list and bring a calculator and sketch pad with pencil.
- Take photos on your Fall adventures and make an alphabet scrapbook—*A for Apples, L for Leaf...*
- Read favourite Fall books such as:

 *The Runaway Pumpkin* by Kevin Lewis

 *A Day at the Apple Orchard* by Megan Faulkner

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