Seasonal Discoveries - *Fall*

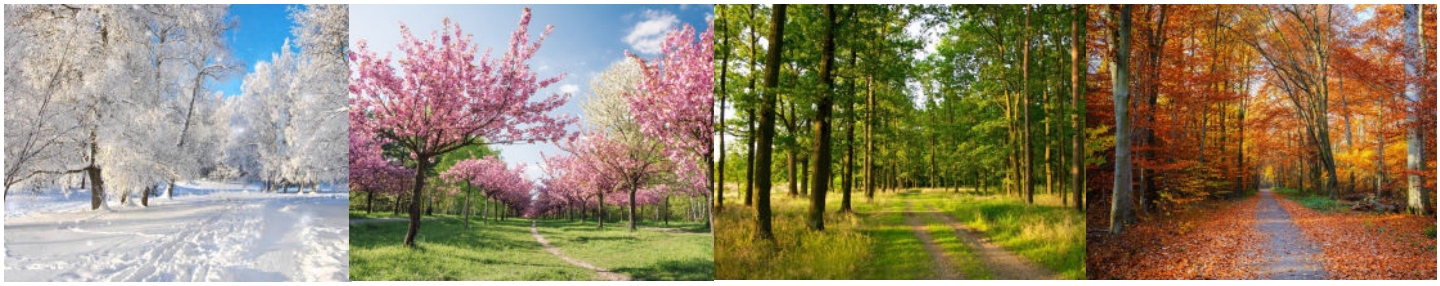
Field Study

Medina County Park District

Seasons are the times that nature changes during the year. Plants and animals also change how they live and behave to better survive in each season.

There are four seasons each year. This field study focuses on fall.

Winter **Spring** **Summer** **Fall**



During fall, nature is slowly cooling as days become shorter. Plants gradually stop growing. The leaves on trees begin to change colors and eventually fall to the ground. Animals like bears eat more food. Some animals like squirrels cache or store food for later. Other animals like birds and dragonflies migrate. It won't be long now before snow starts to fall. As nature is rapidly changing, almost every sense can be used to explore the natural world from seeing a rainbow of color to hearing and feeling the crunching of leaves.

<u>Seasonal Discoveries Activities</u>

Follow along for activities that you can do in your own home or backyard to learn about the fall season.

Play Seasonal Sense Bingo

When you complete each box, cross it off. When you complete four in a row, you have B-I-N-G-O!

Smell a fall flower	Listen for flocks of migrating geese	Look for the color red	Touch a crunchy leaf
Look for a cache or pile of pinecones	Touch an acorn	Smell a pile of leaves	Listen to the rustle of leaves in the wind

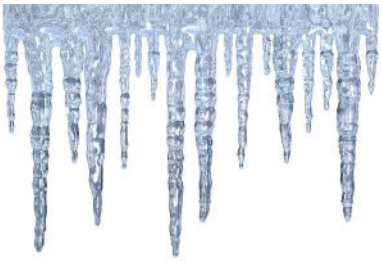
Draw a Picture

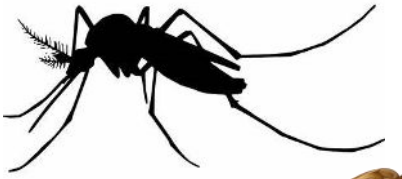
After playing Seasonal Bingo, think about all of the fall discoveries that were made. Draw a picture of your favorite fall discovery in the box below.

Draw your picture here:

Fall Guessing Game

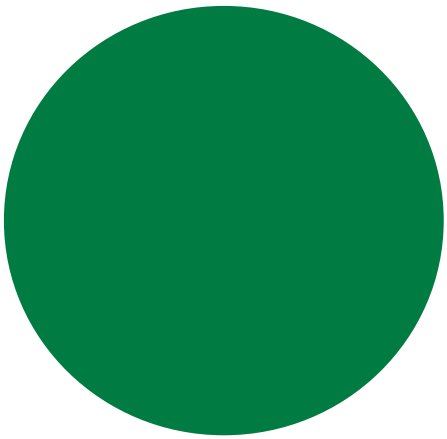
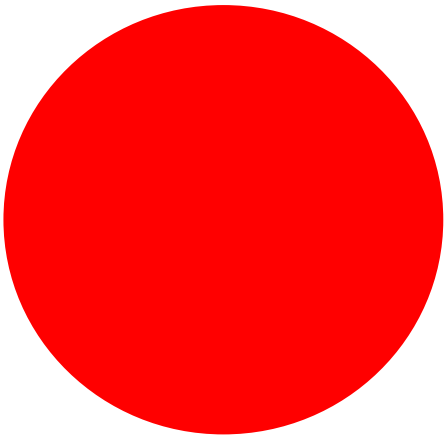
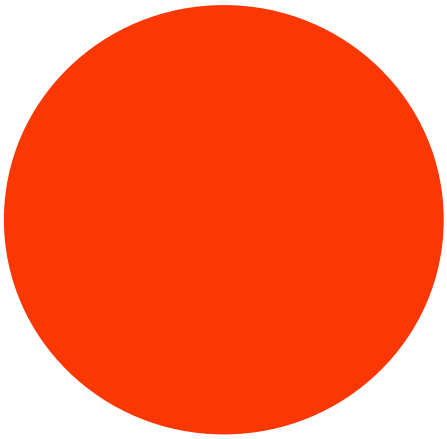
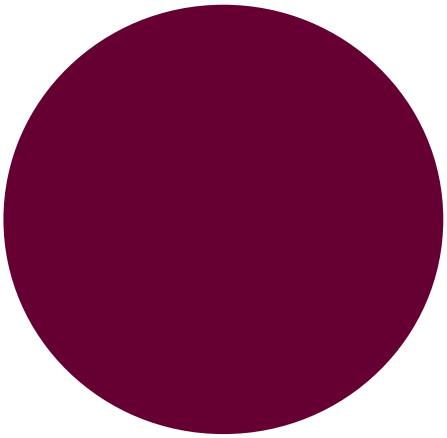
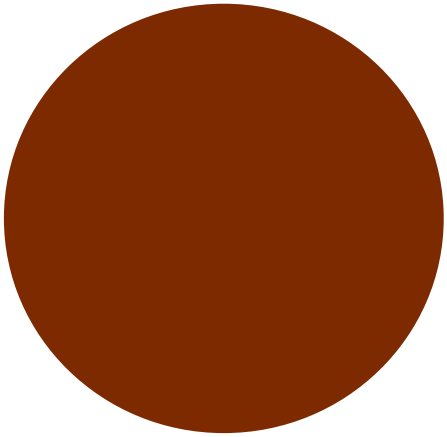
These are pictures of things that happen throughout the year. Look at each picture. Think about which season (winter, spring, summer, or fall) the picture belongs in. Circle pictures that are found during fall.





Answer Key

Leaf, Flock of Geese, Acorn

Fall Color Scavenger Hunt

These are colors that can often be seen during fall. Take a walk through your backyard or a local park to find as many of these fall colors as possible. Check colors off as they are found.