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WORDS TO KNOW:

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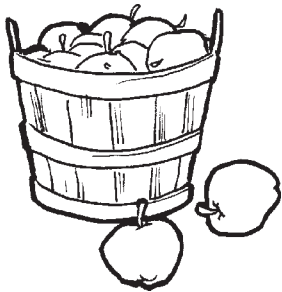
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Leaves on trees change color in fall. They turn yellow, red, and orange. Then the leaves drop from the trees. The dry, dead leaves pile up on the ground. They make a crunching sound when you walk on them. Some people rake up the leaves from their yards. It is a fall chore.

What color are leaves before they turn yellow, red, and orange?

Fill in the missing letters to spell the words.

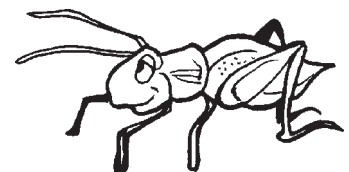


FALL WORDS

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FOOD
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LEAVES

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WHAT WOULD YOU DO?

Read what happened. Then answer the questions.

The fall weather had been very cold for a few days. Ice had formed on a creek near Paul's house. Paul and his friend Mike are at the creek. Mike wants to play on the ice. Paul thinks the ice is too thin and would break. Mike says Paul is a "fraidy cat."



If you were Paul, would you go on the ice? _____

Why or why not? _____

Your mom told you to rake up the leaves in the yard after school. You forgot to tell her there is a football game after school. You want to stay to watch it. Your mom is at work. Your older sister is at home, but she doesn't know you are supposed to rake the leaves.



What will you do? _____

Follow the directions to complete this fall picture.



1. Draw 10 leaves on the ground by the tree.
2. Color five leaves yellow and five leaves red.
3. Draw a jack-o-lantern by the left side of the door.
4. Color the jack-o-lantern orange.
5. Color the tree brown.
6. Draw four green leaves hanging from the lowest tree branch.
7. Draw three wild geese flying above the house.
8. Draw a squirrel on a tree branch and color it gray.
9. Color the chimney red and the roof blue.
10. Color the house yellow.

WHY LEAVES CHANGE COLOR

The green leaves on trees really have other colors in them. In the spring and summer, only the green color shows. That is because there is more green than any other color in the leaves. The green color is called chlorophyll (klor a fil). Leaves need warm sunlight to make chlorophyll.

When fall comes, there is less sunshine during the day. The days grow shorter. The air becomes cooler. The leaves cannot make enough chlorophyll to keep them green. Then the other colors in the leaves begin to show. Some leaves become yellow or orange. Other leaves show their red or purple colors.

Color each leaf one of the colors from the story.

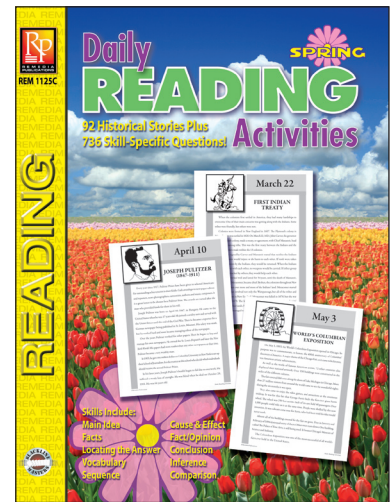
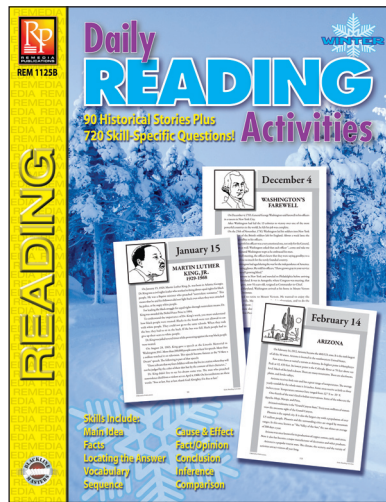
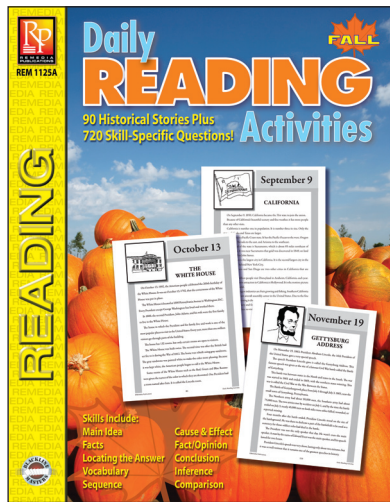


Answer the questions.

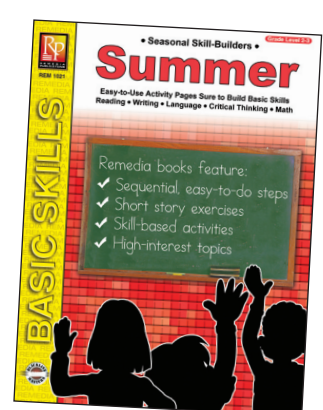
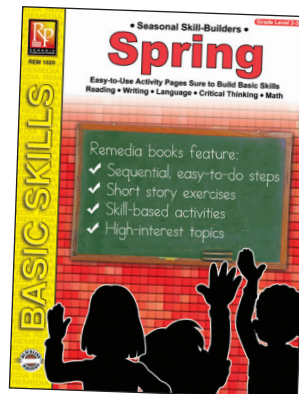
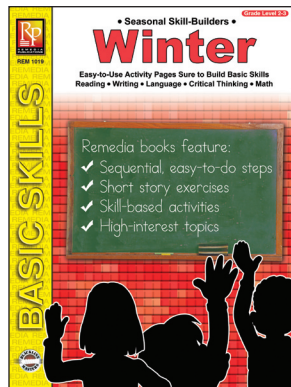
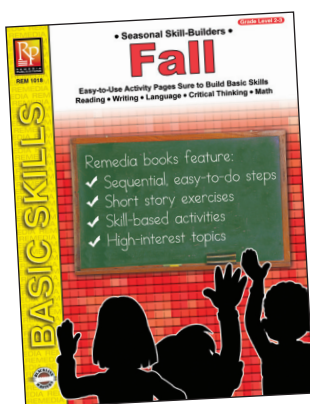
1. True or false? Green leaves have other colors in them? _____
2. In spring and summer, there is mostly what color in leaves?

3. What gives leaves their green color? _____
4. When fall comes, what happens to the days? _____
5. When chlorophyll is gone from the leaves, what happens?

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