

# **An Ode to Autumn**



**A Poem and Reading  
Comprehension for Year 3/4**

## **An Ode to Autumn**

Of all the year's four seasons

I like autumn the best

And there are many reasons

I prefer it to the rest.

Crisp, cool morning walks to school

Wading through the leaves

Where conkers, nuts and acorns fall

And the squirrels act like thieves.

Rainclouds marching through the sky

Storms stir up the sea

On the seafront walking by

Is where I love to be.

Pumpkins glowing in the night

Cloaks and pointy hats

Shadowy figures taking flight

Wizards, witches and black cats.

Of all the year's four seasons

I like this time the best

And those are my many reasons

For preferring it to the rest.

## An Ode to Autumn Quiz

1) **Which word** does the author use to describe walking through the fallen leaves?

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1 mrk

2) Read the statements below and tick whether they are **true** or **false**.

	<b>True</b>	<b>False</b>
<b>The squirrels steal acorns, conkers and nuts.</b>		
<b>The author doesn't like the sea during storms.</b>		
<b>The author describes the sea as quiet and still.</b>		
<b>The author talks about Halloween in the poem.</b>		

2 mrks

3) **What three things** are the squirrels stealing in the poem?

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

1 mrk

4) Can you **find and copy** the line in the poem that tells you that the author likes to be at the sea in the autumn?

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1 mrk

5) In the **fourth verse**, which day of the year is the author describing?

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1 mrk

6) **Which word** does the author use to tell you that the pumpkin is lit up?

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1 mrk

7) Circle the word below that is closest in meaning to **fall**.

*rise*      *float*      *drop*      *fly*      *stop*

1 mrk

8) What parts of a Halloween costume does the author mention in the poem?

1 mrk

9) What does the author say **stirs up the sea**?

1 mrk

10) Read the statements below and decide whether they are **fact** or **opinion**.

	Fact	Opinion
<b>Autumn is the best season of the year.</b>		
<b>The sea is a very nice place to be.</b>		
<b>The leaves fall in autumn time.</b>		
<b>Rainclouds are a nice sight.</b>		

2 mrks

Total marks

/12

