

Autumn 2009

Nature Study with the Outdoor Hour Challenges

Notebook Pages

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Seasonal Tree Study—Autumn

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| Date: | Tree Name: | Weather: | Location: |
| <p>Sketch your tree, its leaves, cones, or fruits.</p> | | | |
| Color of leaves: | Describe the bark: | Date of first leaf falling: | Are there fruits or seeds? |

Autumn Study: Goldenrod



I am alone with nature,
With the soft September day;
The lifting hills above me,
With goldenrod are gay.
Across the fields of ether
Flit butterflies at play
And cones of garnet sumac
Glow down the country way.

The autumn dandelion
Beside the roadway burns;
Above the lichened boulders
Quiver the plumèd ferns.
The cream-white silk of the milkweed
Floats from its sea-green pod;
From out the mossy rock-seams
Flashes the goldenrod.
-Mary Clemmer Ames

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a drawing or writing related to the goldenrod study.

Name:

Date:

Location:

Weather:

Autumn Study: Oaks and Acorns



Color of the bark:-----

Color of the leaf:-----

Edge of leaf smooth or pointed:

Branches straight or crooked?-----

Did you find an acorn?-----

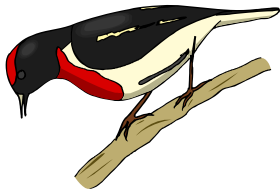
Sketch an acorn from your oak.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a student to draw an acorn from their own oak tree.

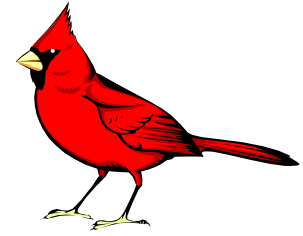
Sketch your oak or one of its leaves.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for a student to draw an oak tree or one of its leaves.

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| Name: | Date: | Location: | Weather: |
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Autumn Series - Birds



Sketch your bird.

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| Date | Bird Name: | Location: |
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Facts about my bird:



Autumn Series—Squirrels



Sketch your squirrel.

Research and draw your squirrel's tracks.

What does your squirrel eat?

Date:

Location:

Squirrel Name:

Facts about your squirrel (color, size, habitat, defenses, behavior, tail shape)

Kingdom:

Animal

Phylum:

Chordata

Class:

Mammal

Order:

Rodent



Mushrooms



A large, empty rectangular area with a black, scalloped border, intended for drawing or writing observations.

Location:

Color:

Shape:

My Mushroom Observations

Seven horizontal lines for writing observations.



Autumn Series - Pumpkins

Where did you get your pumpkin? Did you grow it?

Draw your pumpkin.

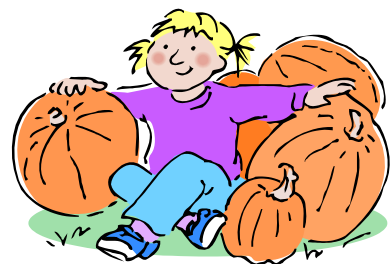


Describe your pumpkin using some of the questions on pages 616-617 in the *Handbook of Nature Study*. _____

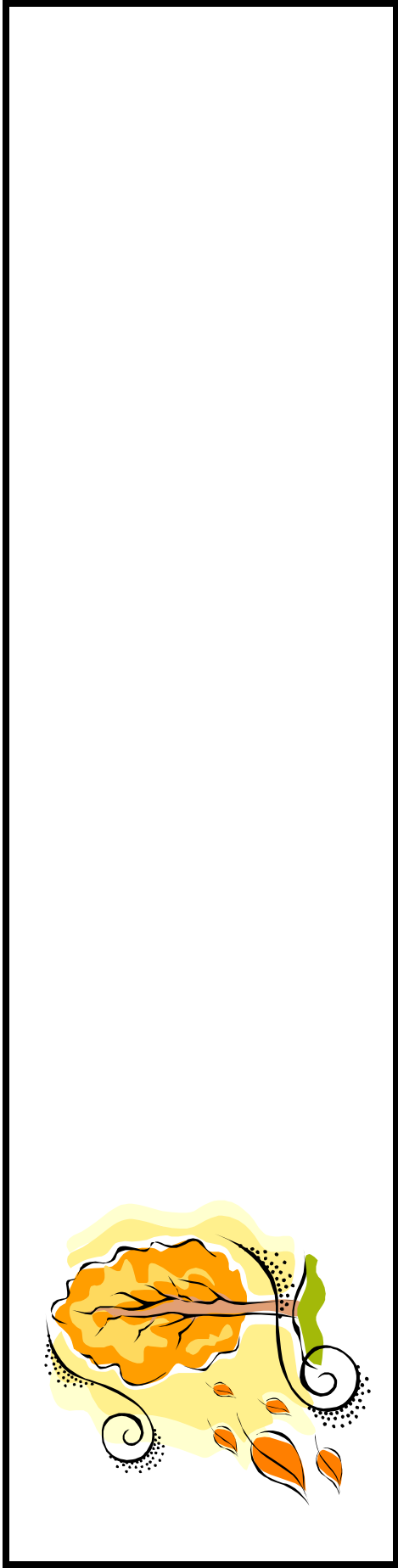
Did you eat your pumpkin? _____

Describe the taste of the pumpkin: _____

Did you enjoy it? _____



Autumn Series: Field Notebook List



Birds * Trees * Weeds * Mammals * Weather * Mushrooms * Wildflowers * Seeds * Cones * Insects * Rocks * Fungus * Fruits * Pods * Stars * Fish * Reptiles * Worms

| Date | Observation | Location | Remarks |
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