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Selections from the Children's Book Collection:

Seasons

Laughing Tomatoes and Other Spring Poems/Jitomates Risueños y Otros Poemas de Primavera. Alarcón, Francisco X. San Francisco, CA: Children's Book Press, 1997.

A bilingual collection of humorous and serious spring poems about family, nature, and celebrations by a renowned Mexican-American poet. Early readers. j SB454.17sp AL12 1997

The Wheel of the Year: An Illustrated Guide to Nature's Rhythms. Cook, Fiona. Kansas City, Missouri : Andrews McMeel Publishing, [2023].

The Wheel of the Year is a way to learn about nature's rhythms - for noticing and celebrating the seasons as they come and go. The spokes of the Wheel mark important turning points: the Winter and Summer Solstices, the Spring and Fall Equinoxes, and the festivals of seeding, growing, and harvesting that arrive in between. Advanced readers. j SB454.C17s C77 2024

Outside Your Window: A First Book of Nature. Davies, Nicola.

Somerville, Mass.: Candlewick Press, 2012.

This gorgeous book of poetry introduces the sights and sounds of the changing seasons, along city streets and in country meadows. j SB454.C17s D287 2012

Handsprings: Poems & Paintings. Florian, Douglas. New York: Greenwillow Books, 2006.

A celebration of spring through poems and color paintings. Early readers. j SB454.C17sp F663 2006

When Green Becomes Tomatoes: Poems For All Seasons. Fogliano, Julie. New York : Roaring Brook Press, 2016.

A book of poetry moving through the seasons. Early readers. j QH81.F695 2016

It's Spring! Glaser, Linda. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 2002.

A child observes the arrival of spring and its effects on plants and animals. Includes suggestions for nature study projects. Early readers. j SB454.17sp G462 2002

Días y Días = Days and Days. Gibson, Ginger Foglesong. New York, NY : Greenwillow Books, an imprint of HarperCollinsPublishers, 2019.

In this bilingual story that introduces descriptive adjectives, words for the weather, months, and a child's seasonal wardrobe, children enjoy what makes each season special. Early readers. j SB454.C17s G35 2019

Count Down to Fall. Hawk, Fran. Mount Pleasant, SC: Sylvan Dell Pub., c2009.

Count Backwards from ten to one during one of the most colorful times of the year. Learn about the bright, colorful leaves and the trees from which they fall. Watch the animals frolicking in the crisp autumn air as they get ready for the approaching cold winter. Includes activities. Pre-readers.

j SB454 .C17sa H39 2009

The Leaf Thief. Hemming, Alice. Naperville, Illinois : Sourcebooks Jabberwocky, 2021.

Squirrel enjoys looking at the beautiful, colorful leaves, but everyday more and more disappear which makes him think someone is stealing them. Includes information on seasonal leaf loss in Autumn. Early readers. j QK649 .H46 2021

Fall is Not Easy. Kelley, Marty. Madison, WI: Zino Press Children's Books, 1998.

A tree tells why, out of all four seasons, autumn is the hardest. Pre-readers. j QK477.A8 K287 1998

Fletcher and the Falling Leaves. Rawlinson, Julia. New York : Greenwillow Books, c2006.

When his favorite tree begins to lose its leaves, Fletcher the fox worries that the tree is sick, but instead a magical sight is in store for him. Early readers. j SB454.C17sa R199 2006

El Invierno. Roca, Núria. Barcelona : Edebé, 2005.

Discusses the various facets of the winter season, including activities and celebrations, through simple questions and answers. Spanish language. Early readers. j SB454 .C17sw R63 2005

First Comes Spring. Rockwell, Anne F. New York: HarperCollins, 1985.

Bear Child notices that the clothes he wears, the things everyone does at work and play, and other parts of his world all change with the seasons. Pre-readers. j SB454.17s R593 1985

Red Sings From Treetops: A Year In Colors. Sidman, Joyce. Boston, Mass. : Houghton Mifflin Books for Children, c2009.

The names of colors are woven into unrhymed poems that celebrate the seasons. Early readers. j QH81 .Si13 2009

Little Green Thumbs. Van Hage, Mary An. Brookfield, CT: Millbrook Press, 1996.

Provides ideas and instructions for projects that involve growing various kinds of plants during the different seasons. Advanced readers. Nonfiction. j SB453 .V311 1996

Leaves! Leaves! Leaves! Wallace, Nancy Elizabeth. New York: Cavendish Children's Books, 2003.

During the four seasons of the year, Buddy Bear and his mother go "leaf walking" and discover many interesting things about leaves, with instructions for making leaf rubbings. Early readers. Fiction.

j QK649 .W155 2003

Why Do the Seasons Change? Whitfield, Philip. New York: Viking Kestrel, c1987.

Questions on nature's rhythms and cycles are answered by the Natural History Museum. Advanced readers. j QH81 .W588 1987

Updated May 2024. Books are listed alphabetically by the author's last name. For more educational resources, please ask a librarian.