

Autumn Leaves

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Here are other ways to use the “Autumn Leaves” song featured in the Orff activity for the lower grades found on page 25 in the October/November 2002 issue.

Rhythm Activity

Make several leaves of the four mentioned colors in the autumn lyrics. Write one rhythm symbol on each color. For example:

Yellow = ♪♪ Brown = ♪ Red = ♪ Orange = ♯

Have the children arrange the leaves in a four-beat pattern and clap it. Continue to make a game out of composing different “Autumn Leaves” patterns.

Alternate Lyrics

Use these alternate lyrics and create a “Halloween” presentation:

Halloween is coming; Jack-O-Lanterns bright.

Going Trick or Treating on this night.

Halloween is coming; what a night for treats.

Filling bags with candy. Hurry, let’s eat!