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# Fall Thematic Unit By The Preschool Toolbox

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## **BREWER DECKER**

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It's Pumpkin Day, Mouse!

Teacher Created  
Resources

A sister and brother plant and tend their own pumpkin patch so they will have jack-o-lanterns for Halloween.

### **Fall Weather Fun**

Teacher Created

### Resources

"Now a major motion picture! Includes full-color movie photos and exclusive content!"--Dust jacket.

#### Of Mice and Men

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt  
Bestselling Caldecott  
Honor artist David  
Shannon tells the story of a determined duck who decides to jump on a tractor and drive it around the barnyard and through

town, with hilarious consequences! Shannon's wildly popular, award-winning Duck on a Bike left children begging him to tell them another story about Duck after seeing him pictured alongside a shiny red tractor. Now Duck is back and turning the farm upside down! Flushed with the success of his trailblazing bike ride around the farm, Duck decides he's ready to

drive the tractor. As in the bestselling *Duck on a Bike*, all the barnyard animals share their humorous comments as they watch Duck do the unthinkable. Then, one by one, they join him on the tractor for a ride! But what happens when Duck drives the big red tractor through town, past the popular diner where all the locals are having lunch? What will those folks really think when they see Duck and all the other animals riding around on Farmer O'Dell's tractor? Filled with

entertaining detail and sly jokes, readers will pore over each picture again and again. Perfect for reading aloud!

*Weather Thematic Unit*

After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again) After falling off the wall, Humpty Dumpty is very afraid of climbing up again, but is determined not to let fear stop him from being close to the birds. Leaf Man  
Chicken thinks Scarecrow's hat will make a nice nest, but first she must swap with Badger, Crow, Sheep, Owl, and

Donkey.

Duck on a Tractor Balzer + Bray

Reinforce comprehension, language arts, math, social studies, and science skills with fun activities developed around a fall theme. Students will practice handwriting and creative writing, develop their vocabulary and visual discrimination skills, work with math symbols, and more. Keep your students entertained with learning throughout the school year!

**The Scarecrow's Hat**  
Vintage

Includes activities based on: Steven Caney's invention book by Steven Caney, Ben and me by Robert Lawson, and Mistakes that worked by Charlotte Foltz Jones. *Sea Animals Thematic Unit* Cartwheel Books Simple, repetitive text and expressive illustrations tell an autumn story about the way one leaf turns an entire barnyard upside down. *A Ukrainian Folktale* Peachtree Pub Limited Three children go on a leaf hunt, climbing a

mountain, traveling through a forest, going around a waterfall, and crossing a lake in search of leaves from different trees before an unexpected peril makes them turn back. *Marvelous Cornelius* Little, Brown Books for Young Readers Discover new, practical methods for teaching literacy skills in your early childhood classroom. Has teaching early literacy skills become a stumbling block to getting your preschool students kindergarten ready?

Break out of the tired "letter of the week" routine and learn how to transform your lessons with fun and effective techniques. Teach Smarter: Literacy Strategies for Early Childhood Teachers will equip teachers to infuse every aspect of their teaching with exciting hands-on literacy teaching methods that engage students and help them build authentic connections with books, so that 100% of their students will have a strong literacy foundation

and will be fully prepared for success in kindergarten and beyond. Respected author Vanessa Levin, veteran early childhood educator and author of the “Pre-K Pages” blog, breaks down the research and translates it into realistic, actionable steps you can take to improve your teaching. Features specific examples of teaching techniques and activities that engage students in hands-on, experiential learning during circle time, centers, and small groups.

Offers a simple, four-step system for teaching literacy skills, based on the foundational principles of early literacy teaching Demonstrates how to build your confidence in your ability to get 100% of your students ready for kindergarten, long before the end of the school year Understand the problems with traditional literacy teaching and identify gaps in your current teaching practice with this valuable resource.  
*Literacy Strategies for Early Childhood Teachers*

Houghton Mifflin Harcourt  
A little bat uses brains over brawn in this not-so-scary Halloween picture book. The witch has grown the biggest pumpkin ever, and now she wants to make herself a pumpkin pie for Halloween. But the pumpkin is so big she can't get it off the vine. It's so big the ghost can't move it, either. Neither can the vampire, nor the mummy. It looks as if there'll be no pumpkin pie for Halloween, until along comes the bat with an idea to save the day. How

can the tiny bat succeed where bigger and strong spooky creatures have failed? You'll be surprised! *Hurricane Katrina and the Spirit of New Orleans* Scholastic Inc. Get ready to fall over laughing in this autumnal-themed story featuring everyone's favorite old lady!

### **The Family Book**

Teacher Created Resources  
Lesson ideas in this thematic unit are based on the whole language approach which encourages cooperative

learning.

**Leaf Man** Knopf Books for Young Readers  
Activities designed to be used with - Nature's Footprints in the barnyard / Q.L. and W.J. Pearce; Spot goes to the Circus / Eric Hill; Dear Zoo / Rod Campbell; The Pop-up pet shop / Rod Campbell.

### **Too Many Pumpkins**

Teacher Created Resources  
After the Fall (How Humpty Dumpty Got Back Up Again)  
Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf  
Simon and Schuster  
A man made of leaves

blows away, traveling wherever the wind may take him, in a fresh, autumn tale with illustrations made from actual fall leaves and die-cut pages on every spread that reveal gorgeous landscape vistas. Jr Lib Guild.  
*More Thematic Activities for Beginners in English*  
Teacher Created Resources  
Join Mouse from If You Give a Mouse a Cookie as he decorates all the pumpkins in the patch!  
*Seasonal Themed Worksheets* Teacher

## Created Resources

A young boy and his mother bake a gingerbread baby that escapes from their oven and leads a crowd on a chase similar to the one in the familiar tale about a not-so-clever gingerbread man.

Chicka Chicka Boom

Boom John Wiley & Sons  
Brian has always felt

invisible at school, but when a new student, Justin, arrives, everything changes.

*Animals* Teacher Created Resources

After falling off the wall, Humpty Dumpty is very afraid of climbing up again, but is determined not to let fear stop him from being close to the birds.

Big Pumpkin Teacher

## Created Resources

Fun illustrations and informative text show readers how the weather can change in fall.

Through critical thinking and comprehension questions, readers will learn to pay attention to the weather and understand seasonal changes.