

The Four Seasons: Categorizing Seasonal Activities

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Many baby animals are born during this season.



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People rake leaves during this season.

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SEASONS (WINTER, SPRING, SUMMER, FALL)

The Four Seasons: Reproduce the *Winter*, *Spring*, *Summer*, and *Fall* heading cards on white cardstock and laminate. Tape each card to a paper lunch bag, a paper gift bag without handles, or to a jumbo plastic envelope (the envelopes are available in various colors). Use wall-safe tape to tape the envelopes to the wall in the science center or in the large group area. Tape laminated letters above the envelopes to title the wall display "The Four Seasons." Reproduce the seasonal activity cards on white cardstock, laminate, cut apart, and store in a Ziplock bag. The cards are available with and without illustrations.

Note that Lesson 30₃ in *Thematic Lessons and Materials for Teaching Spelling, Phonics, Science, Social Studies, and More in Grades 1-3: Volume 2 of Two* by 70 Times 7 Math can be used to help students learn about the four seasons (winter, spring, summer, and fall).

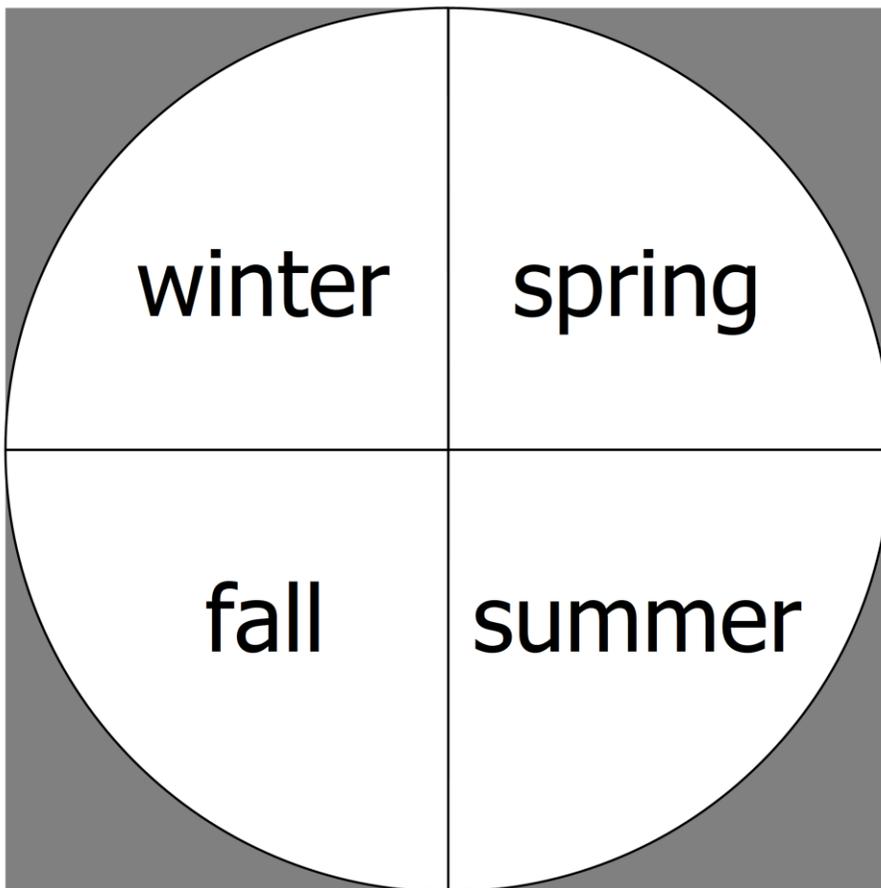


A child is given (or draws from a bag) an illustrated card with a sentence specifying a seasonal activity, such as "Thanksgiving is celebrated during this season." After the student reads the sentence or identifies the picture, he will determine the seasonal category to which it belongs and categorize it appropriately by dropping it in a lunch bag labeled with the season name and having an appropriate illustration.



Thematic Units Game for the Four Seasons: The chart shown on the previous page can also be used with the unit questions for "The Four Seasons" taken from Lesson 30₃ of *Thematic Lessons and Materials for Teaching Spelling, Phonics, Science, Social Studies, and More in Grades 1-3: Volume 2 of Two* by 70 Times 7 Math. These questions can be reproduced on cardstock, cut apart, and distributed between the bags. Question cards from previous lessons can also be included in the bags. A student spins the spinner with the four seasons, identifies the season that the spinner lands on, and then draws a question card from the lunch bag with the corresponding season. If he answers the question correctly, his team receives one point.

To prepare the spinner, you will need a brad and a large paperclip. Reproduce the spinner on cardstock. Put a brad through the end of a paperclip and push it through the middle of the spinner. Turn the spinner over to fasten the brad to the back. Students will spin the paperclip.



What are the four seasons? <i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i>	December, January, and February are months of which season? <i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i>
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<p>March, April, and May are months of which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>June, July, and August are months of which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>September, October, and November are months of which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>During which season is it most likely to get cold enough to snow?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>During which season do certain animals like bears, bats, and skunks hibernate?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>Christmas (and sometimes Hanukkah) is celebrated during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>Saint Valentine's Day is celebrated during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>During which season are many baby animals born?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>During which season do flowers begin to spring up?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>During which season do animals wake up from hibernation and migrating birds return home from the South?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>Easter is celebrated during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>During which season is it usually hot and sunny outside?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>During which season are people most likely to swim outdoors?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>Many schools are closed during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>Americans celebrate Fourth of July (Independence Day) during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>During which season do leaves turn pretty colors and fall from the trees?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>During which season do animals start preparing for the winter? For example, squirrels hide acorns and other nuts to eat, and some birds fly South where it is warmer.</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	<p>Farmers harvest their crops during which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>
<p>Autumn is another name for which season?</p> <p><i>Lesson 12 (Science)</i></p>	

The Four Seasons



winter



spring



summer



fall

People rake leaves during this season.

Many schools are closed during this season.

It gets cold enough to snow during this season.

It is usually sunny and hot outside during this season.

Christmas is celebrated during this season.

Easter is celebrated during this season.

Thanksgiving is celebrated during this season.

Leaves turn pretty colors like yellow, red, orange, and brown during this season.

We celebrate
Mother's Day
during this season.

We celebrate
Father's Day
during this season.

Saint Valentine's
Day is celebrated
during this season.

We wear shorts
and sandals during
this season.

Birds that flew
South for the
winter come back
home during
this season.

They sometimes
close school
because the
roads are icy
and slippery.

We sometimes
ride sleds during
this season.

We have a lot
of rain during
this season.

Farmers plant their seeds during this season.

This season comes after winter.

Farmers harvest their crops during this season.

This season comes after spring.

Leaves and acorns fall from the trees during this season.

This season comes after summer.

People like to go swimming during this season.

This season comes after autumn (fall).

<p>Flowers begin to spring up during this season.</p>	<p>December, January, and February are months of which season?</p>
<p>We visit the pumpkin patch during this season.</p>	<p>March, April, and May are months of which season?</p>
<p>Squirrels hide acorns and other nuts so they have something to eat during winter.</p>	<p>June, July, and August are months of which season?</p>
<p>Animals like bears, bats, and skunks hibernate during this season.</p>	<p>September, October, and November are months of which season?</p>

<p>People wear heavy coats, gloves, and boots to keep warm during this season.</p>	<p>People usually have their air conditioners or fans turned on during this season.</p>
<p>Animals wake up from hibernation during this season.</p>	<p>People use their heaters and fireplaces to keep warm during this season.</p>
<p>Americans celebrate the Fourth of July during this season.</p>	<p>Many baby animals are born during this season.</p>
<p>Some people spend a lot of time at the lake or beach during this season.</p>	<p>Many birds fly south where it is warmer during this season.</p>



People rake leaves during this season.



Many schools are closed during this season.



It gets cold enough to snow during this season.



It is usually sunny and hot outside during this season.



Christmas is celebrated during this season.



Easter is celebrated during this season.



Thanksgiving is celebrated during this season.



Leaves turn pretty colors like yellow, red, orange, and brown during this season.



We celebrate Mother's Day during this season.



We celebrate Father's Day during this season.



Saint Valentine's Day is celebrated during this season.



We wear shorts and sandals during this season.



Birds that flew South for the winter come back home during this season.



They sometimes close school because the roads are icy and slippery.



We sometimes ride sleds during this season.



We have a lot of rain during this season.



Farmers plant their seeds during this season.



Farmers harvest their crops during this season.



Leaves and acorns fall from the trees during this season.



People like to go swimming during this season.



Flowers begin to spring up during this season.



We visit the pumpkin patch during this season.



Squirrels hide acorns and other nuts so they have something to eat during winter.



Animals like bears, bats, and skunks hibernate during this season.



People wear heavy coats, gloves, and boots to keep warm during this season.



People usually have their air conditioners or fans turned on during this season.



Animals wake up from hibernation during this season.



People use their heaters and fireplaces to keep warm during this season.



Kids like to play in the sprinkler and eat popsicles during this season.



Many baby animals are born during this season.



Some people spend a lot of time at the lake or beach during this season.



Many birds fly south where it is warmer during this season.



Americans celebrate Fourth of July (Independence Day) during this season.

Answer Key

WINTER ACTIVITIES

- Animals like bears, bats, and skunks hibernate during this season.
- Christmas is celebrated during this season.
- December, January, and February are months of what season?
- It gets cold enough to snow during this season.
- People use their heaters and fireplaces to keep warm during this season.
- People wear heavy coats, gloves, and boots to keep warm during this season.
- Saint Valentine's Day is celebrated during this season.
- They sometimes close school because the roads are icy and slippery.
- This season comes after autumn (fall).
- We sometimes ride sleds during this season.

SPRING ACTIVITIES

- Animals wake up from hibernation during this season.
- Birds that flew South for the winter come back home during this season.
- Easter is celebrated during this season.
- Farmers plant their seeds during this season.
- Flowers begin to spring up during this season.
- Many baby animals are born during this season.
- March, April, and May are months of what season?
- This season comes after winter.
- We celebrate Mother's Day during this season.
- We have a lot of rain during this season.

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- Americans celebrate Fourth of July (Independence Day) during this season.
- It is usually sunny and hot outside during this season.
- June, July, and August are months of what season?
- Kids like to play in the sprinkler and eat popsicles during this season.
- Many schools are closed during this season.
- People like to go swimming during this season.
- People usually have their air conditioners or fans turned on during this season.
- Some people spend a lot of time at the lake or beach during this season.
- This season comes after spring.

- We celebrate Father's Day during this season. (**Note:** Father's Day in the United States, the United Kingdom, and Canada is on the third Sunday of June. This sometimes occurs in the spring and sometimes in the summer. In Australia, it falls on the first Sunday of September.)
- We wear shorts and sandals during this season.

FALL ACTIVITIES (AUTUMN)

- Farmers harvest their crops during this season.
- Leaves and acorns fall from the trees during this season.
- Leaves turn pretty colors like yellow, red, orange, and brown during this season.
- Many birds fly south where it is warmer during this season.
- People rake leaves during this season.
- September, October, and November are months of what season?
- Squirrels hide acorns and other nuts so they have something to eat during winter.
- Thanksgiving is celebrated during this season.
- This season comes after summer.
- We visit the pumpkin patch during this season.