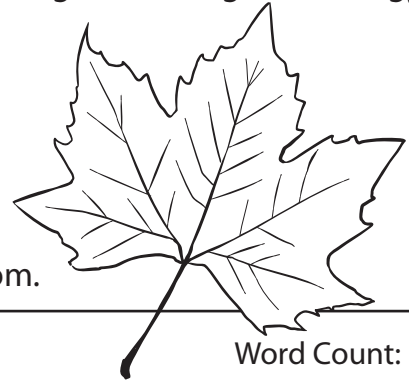


Reading Fluency: Autumn

Fluency means being able to read a text quickly, accurately, and with expression. A fluent reader is better able to understand the text. Rereading and reading aloud is a good strategy for becoming a more fluent reader.

To practice reading fluently:

- Set a timer for one minute.
- Read the passage as quickly and accurately as possible.
- Mark the last word read when the timer goes off.
- Record the words *per minute* read in the chart at the bottom.



Word Count: 100

Autumn is one of the four seasons. It comes after summer and 12
before winter. Autumn is also called fall. The days are shorter. There is 25
less sunlight. Farmers harvest their crops at this time. 34

The weather gets cooler in autumn. The leaves on the trees change from 47
green to orange, red, brown, and yellow. At the end of autumn, the leaves 61
fall off the trees. 65

In autumn, many animals prepare for winter. They gather food to store in 78
their nests and dens. Animals grow warmer coats to prepare for the 90
winter's cold weather. 93

Halloween and Thanksgiving are holidays in autumn. 100

To determine *Words Per Minute*, count the amount of correct words the student read in one minute. Record that number in the box.

	1st Read	2nd Read	3rd Read
Words Per Minute			