

Awesome Autumn



Alligator Crawling:

- **Crawl through the Leaves** Hang plastic or construction paper leaves on a baton or stick that is taped to 2 cones. The children crawl under the baton.

OR

Place colorful construction paper leaves under the vinyl carpet runner.

Choose what to use. Use them all or pick a few!

Overhead Ladder:

- **Falling Leaves** Hang large construction paper leaves from the rungs on the Overhead Ladder with letters or numbers to review. The children say the letters or numbers as they cross the ladder.



Slap Track:

- **Vocabulary** Put autumn color cards in the Slap Track.
Example: red, gold, brown, red, gold, brown—Repeat.
(Write “red” in red marker, “brown” in brown marker, etc.)
 - ▲ Only use 2 or 3 different cards.
- **Fall Cards** Put fall words cards with a picture in the Slap Track
Example: brown, nut, brown, nut—Repeat.
gold, leaf, gold, leaf—Repeat.
red, coat, red, coat—Repeat.
 - ▲ Only use a maximum of 4 different cards.
- **Counting** Put cards with a picture to represent concepts of quantity in the Slap Track.
Example: 1 squirrel, 2 pumpkins, 3 leaves
Write the numeral under the picture.
The children say the numerals 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3—Repeat.
 - ▲ Only use a maximum of 4 different cards.

Balance Beam:

Scatter construction paper leaves under the Balance Beam.

- **Step Over** Place a mini pumpkin, gourd or Indian corn on the Balance Beam for the children to step over. (Choose just 1 “step-over” so the children can still do a heel-to-toe walk.)

Pencil Rolling:

- **Leaf Roll** Make a variety of large construction paper leaves. Tape or lay them on the rolling area. The children roll over the leaves. Plastic leaves work well too.

OR

The children hold a bouquet of plastic leaves over their heads as they roll.

Overs and Unders:

- **Pumpkins and Cornstalks**

Create an Overs and Unders sheet using pumpkin and cornstalk clip art. Have the children trace over the cornstalks and under the pumpkins.

Rebounder:

- **Learning Ladders** from [S.M.A.R.T. Pre-K Get to the MORE of Readiness](#). The children jump and say the information on the Learning Ladders. Use fall colors and vocabulary.

Tactile Trackers:

- **Oh Nuts!** Draw 4 squirrels on the left side of the Tactile Tracker. Draw 4 acorns on the right side of the Tactile Tracker. Connect the squirrels to the nuts with curvy, random lines. Use a different color for each line. The children should trace the line from the squirrel to the correct nut. Remind the children to cover left eye and trace. Cover right eye and trace. Trace with both eyes.
- **Leaf Lines** The children can trace the outlines of various fall leaves. Make it tactile by streaming a line of glue on the outline of the leaf.

