

STORY TIME RESOURCES

GOODBYE AUTUMN, HELLO WINTER

STORY TIME DESCRIPTION

Wintertime brings many seasonal changes. You can feel the chill in the air, trees are bare, and food becomes harder to find for most animals. Grab a coat, put on a hat and some gloves so we can join a brother and sister as they explore nature while taking a winter walk through their community in our story today [Goodbye Autumn, Hello Winter](#) by Kenard Pak. It's time to say goodbye to autumn because winter is here!

HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

- **Outdoor Winter Activities:** Project Learning Tree has a list of [10 outdoor winter activities for preschoolers](#) for young children that are in need of some fresh air, time outdoors, and nature!
- **Outdoor Winter Activities for Kids:** Visit www.runwildmychild.com for a list of [100 + outdoor winter activities for kids](#).
- **Animals in Winter Activities:** Visit Kids Soup website to browse activities, lessons, and pintables from their [Animals in Winter](#) theme.
- **Pine Cone Science:** Try this [experiment](#) to find out why pine cones open and close. This is a great winter STEM lesson.

OTHER HELPFUL RESOURCES

- **Virginia Agriculture:** [Preschool Nature Explorers](#) is developed by Virginia Agriculture in the Classroom. This document is a collection of nature-based lessons and activities that helps young children explore the natural world.
- **Winter Birds:** Use this article provided by Bird Watcher's Digest called ["Figuring Out Finches at Your Feeder this Winter"](#) while you're bird watching this winter.
- **A Natural Remedy:** This article called ["A Natural Remedy"](#) explains the importance of children spending time outdoors in nature.
- **Winter Adaptations:** Watch this video called [Winter Adaptations](#) presented by Cornell University Naturalist Outreach that explain how some animals adapt to survive cold winter weather.

RELATED CHILDREN'S BOOKS

- [*Winter is Coming*](#) by Tony Johnston
- [*Winter Dance*](#) by Marion Dane Bauer
- [*Animals in Winter*](#) by Henrietta Bancroft
- [*All About Animals in Winter \(Celebrate Winter\)*](#)
by Martha Elizabeth Hillman Rustad
- [*The First Day of Winter*](#) by Denise Fleming
- [*Winter is Here*](#) by Kevin Henkes
- [*The Shortest Day: Celebrating Winter Solstice*](#) by Wendy Pfeffer
- [*What Can You See in Winter?*](#) by Sian Smith
- [*Ten Ways to Hear Snow*](#) by Cathy Camper
- [*Not a Buzz to Be Found \(Insects in Winter\)*](#) by Linda Glaser
- [*Over and Under the Snow*](#) by Kate Messner
- [*Winter Sleep: A Hibernation Story*](#) by Sean Taylor