

Giant Write
Every Day

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Name: _____

September



Describe a September day.

Use words that help the reader to imagine what you are writing about.

Quickwrite Topics

Choose one quickwrite topic each day. Have students write continuously on the topic for 5 to 10 minutes.

The First Day of School	New School Clothes	A Yellow Pencil	Spiders	In My Desk
If I Were the Teacher	Ice-Cream Cones	My Favorite Book	Secrets	New Friends
A Mud Puddle	At the Beach	On the School Bus	A Fight with My Best Friend	My Pet
My Best Subject	Recess	It Makes Me Laugh	Bananas	Autumn
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Story Starters and Titles

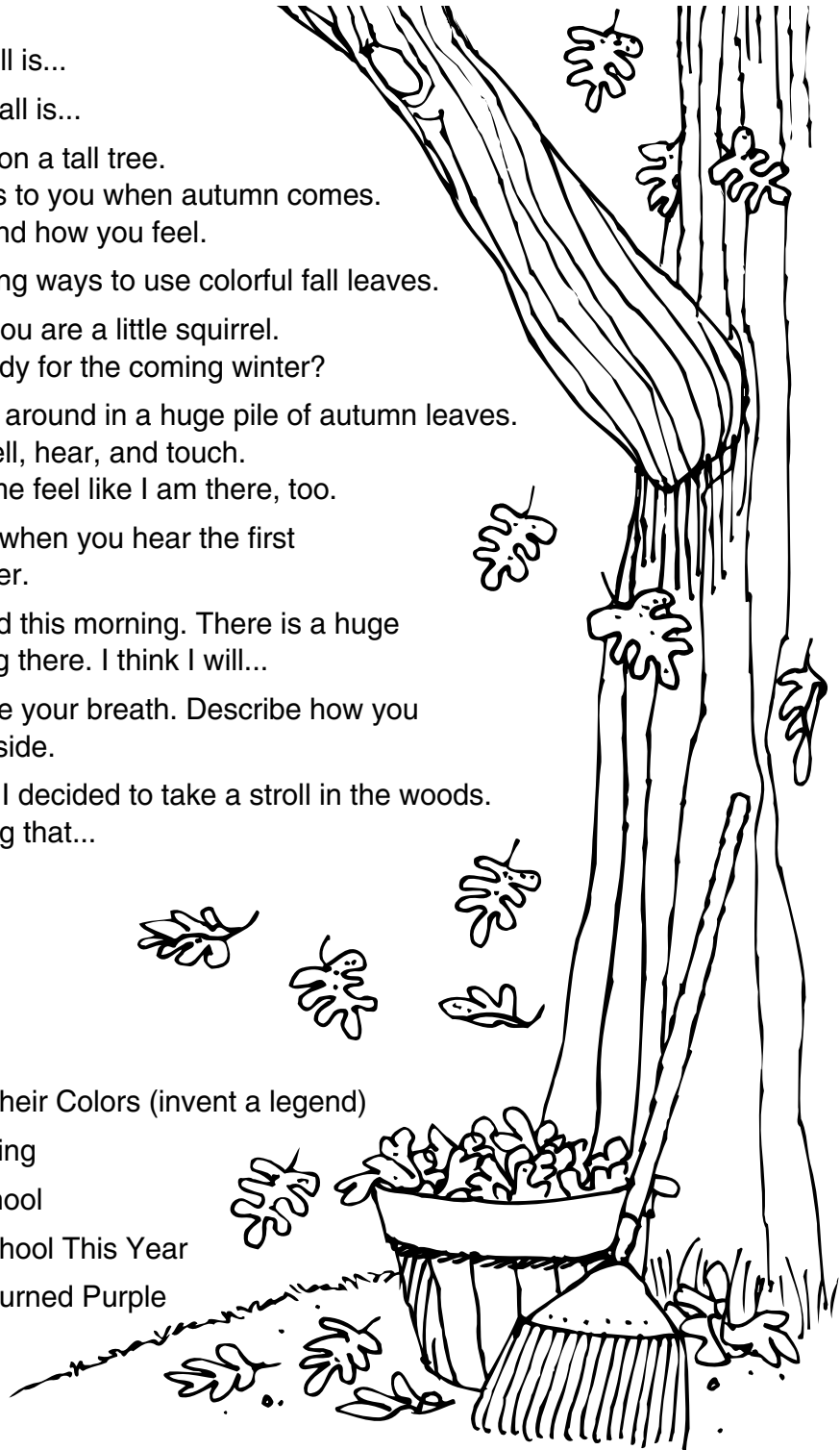
Choose a story starter or title. Provide time for students to write a first draft.

Story Starters

1. The best thing about fall is...
2. The worst thing about fall is...
3. Pretend you are a leaf on a tall tree.
Describe what happens to you when autumn comes.
Tell how you change and how you feel.
4. Think of some interesting ways to use colorful fall leaves.
5. It is fall in the woods. You are a little squirrel.
How would you get ready for the coming winter?
6. Imagine you are rolling around in a huge pile of autumn leaves.
Describe what you smell, hear, and touch.
Use words that make me feel like I am there, too.
7. Describe your feelings when you hear the first school bell in September.
8. Dad raked the backyard this morning. There is a huge pile of leaves just sitting there. I think I will...
9. It is so cold you can see your breath. Describe how you will get ready to go outside.
10. One crisp fall morning, I decided to take a stroll in the woods.
I had no way of knowing that...

Titles

1. How Fall Got Its Name
2. Autumn Colors
3. How to Climb a Tree
4. Why Leaves Change Their Colors (invent a legend)
5. One Cold, Frosty Morning
6. An Unusual Day at School
7. The Hardest Part of School This Year
8. The Year the Leaves Turned Purple
9. Jack Frost
10. In the Squirrel's Nest

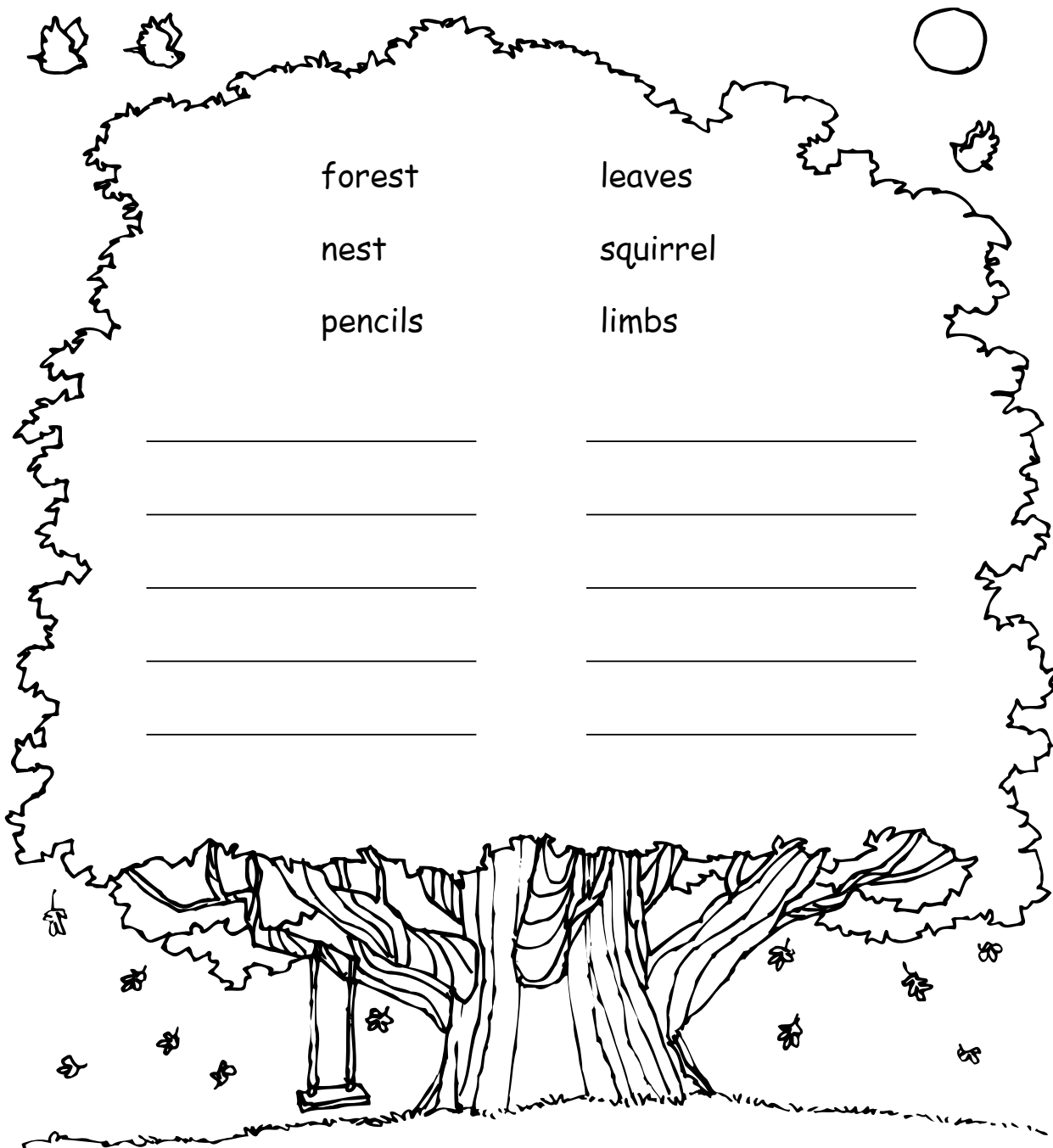


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 **September**

Tree Words

Think of as many words as you can that relate to trees.
Write down all the words you can think of and save them for a tree story.
Here are a few to start with:



forest

leaves

nest

squirrel

pencils

limbs
