

Autumn Dictionary Work Activity



When we sort words into alphabetical order, we look at the first letter of each word.

Sometimes, more than one word in the list will begin with the same letter. If that happens, we look at the second letter to order the words. If the second letter is also the same we check the third letter and so on.

Task 1

Sort these lists of words into alphabetical order.

1 leaves changing learning chatter charming misty

2 scary foliage hedgerow scarecrow hedgehog scarlet

3 breezy season wheat brown bright cosy conkers

4 hibiscus orange hibernate orchid orchard harvest

Task 2

Find definitions for these words:

1 foliage _____

2 equinox _____

3 crimson _____

4 harvest _____

5 resplendent _____

Task 3

Sort these lists of words into alphabetical order.

1 A sound that fallen leaves may make:

ru _____

2 The type of tree that loses its leaves each year:

dec _____

3 To move from one area to another according to the seasons:

mi _____

4 Something that is typical of autumn:

aut _____

5 Many autumn leaves could be described as:

col _____

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Answers

Task 1

1. **changing, charming, chatter, learning, leaves, misty**
2. **foliage, hedgehog, hedgerow, scarecrow, scarlet, scary**
3. **breezy, bright, brown, conkers, cosy, season, wheat**
4. **harvest, hibernate, hibiscus, orange, orchard, orchid**

Task 2

1. foliage – **leaves**
2. equinox – **the time or date (twice a year) when day and night are of equal length**
3. crimson – **a deep red colour**
4. harvest – **gathering in crops, crops grown in a season**
5. resplendent – **impressively colourful**

Task 3

1. A sound that fallen leaves may make:
rustle
2. The type of tree that loses its leaves each year:
deciduous
3. To move from one area to another according to the seasons:
migrate
4. Something that is typical of autumn:
autumnal
5. Many autumn leaves could be described as:
colourful