

Prime

Personal, Emotional and Social Development

Talk about feelings: how did the mouse and other characters feel in the story?

Talk about their own food preferences when they had tasted different foods.

Carry out and take responsibility for different tasks when making cakes and biscuits.

Physical Development

Draw pictures of the Gruffalo and friends
Draw themselves in the forest with Gruffalo

Read the Gruffalo and other stories independently holding the book and turning pages

Cut out and make Gruffalo masks

Walk around the park

Dress and undress into warm outdoor clothing.

Communication and Language

Listen to the different noises in the forest and the noises of animals when listening to The Gruffalo

Listen to the story and join in with repeated words from the Gruffalo—"A Gruffalo, What's a Gruffalo"

Answer what, where, and who questions from the story

Use preposition to describe where the characters are

Learn names and vocabulary linked to the Gruffalo and Autumn

Learn to new describing words linked to the Gruffalo and Autumn.

Supporting Texts

Gruffalo
Owl babies
Leaf man
Stick man
Percy the Park keeper
Other fiction and non fiction books

Topic hooks, visits and visitors

Visits: woods
Display—different leaves
Gruffalo party



Nursery The Gruffalo Autumn 1



Big Interests/ what we want children to learn

What is a Gruffalo?

What fruit and berries to we find in Forest?

What is a forest and what does it look like?

How does a forest change in Autumn

How can I support my child's learning. Resources and ideas for home.

Encourage collection of autumn artefacts, listen for different sounds in the environment, practise dressing and undressing independently

Specific

Reading and writing

Read the Gruffalo and other stories and begin to retell these stories

Describe the characters in the story particularly the Gruffalo

Describe the story setting of a forest

Draw pictures and use emerging writing to write about the Gruffalo and Autumn

Maths

Compare the size of the animals in the Gruffalo and other woodland creatures

Count using different artefacts from the forest

Talk about the size, shape and colour of leaves

Measure ingredients for making cakes.

Knowledge and Understanding of the World

Learn about Harvest Festival

Talk about how a forest changes in Autumn

Learn about the animals living in a forest

Learn about the berries and other fruit found in a forest

Bake cakes and biscuits and talk about how they have changed

Go to a forest/park to learn more about what it looks and feel and smells like.

Expressive arts and design

Paint pictures of the Gruffalo

Create a forest display with the Gruffalo

Create transient art pics using forest items

Explore different textures

Sing the Gruffalo song an other Autumnal songs

Paint using berries