

Phonetic Concepts Practiced

ē|cv´ (event) ō|cv´ (hotel) ū|cv´ (superb) å|cv´ (around) i|cv´ (divide)

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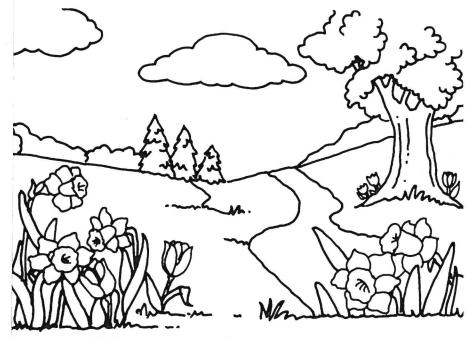


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What event begins about March 20? Be happy because spring has begun! Grass grows all around the park. Leaves grow all along the tree branches. Plants come alive in the spring!

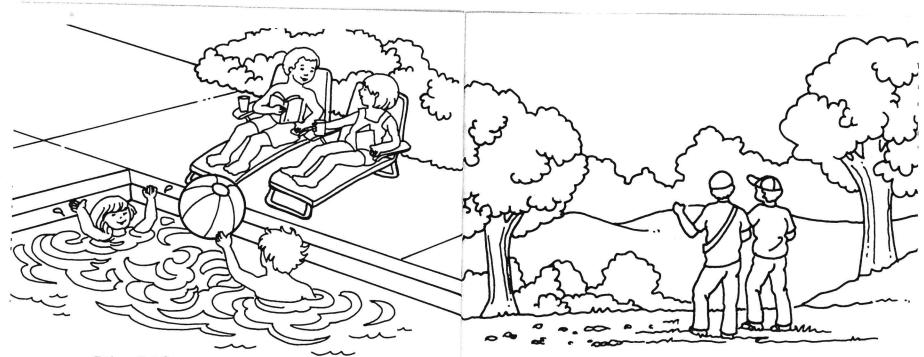
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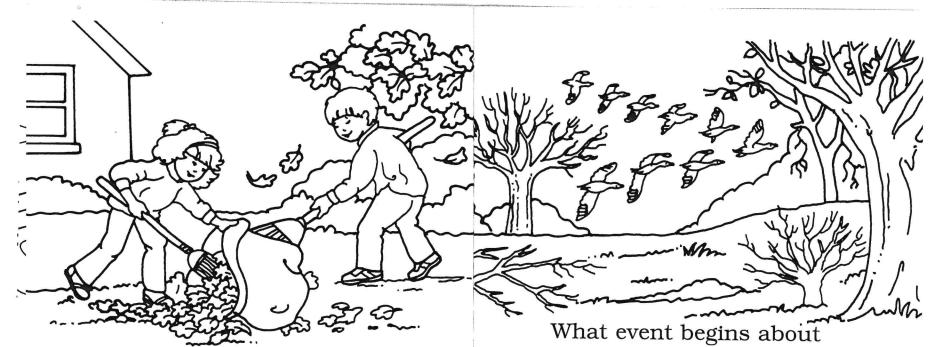
It's 60° and the spring air is cool. But it will be a little bit warmer each week. We'll fly a kite before the March winds go away. We'll hear the birds singing all around. Spring is a superb time of year!

What event begins about June 21? Be happy because summer has begun! School is out and some people go away. Some go to a camp or a hotel. But many other people remain at home to relax.



It's 80° and the summer air is hot! July is a good time to relax by the pool. Let's have a cold drink with ice. Later we can swim around in the water. Summer days are such a delight!

What event begins about September 22? Be happy because fall has begun! The leaves now turn red and gold. Look at them before they fall off the trees!



It's 50° and the fall air is cool. Leaves are now all around the yard. Let's get a rake and sweep them away. Later we can pick apples and divide them. Fall is a superb time of year!

December 21? Be happy because winter has begun! It's 32° and the winter air is so cold! Many birds go away for the winter. They will return next spring, but not before then.



Snow is all around. Come along and we'll sled down the hill. A warm coat and mittens will help protect you. Later we can skate around on the ice.
Winter days are such a delight!

Understanding the Story

Questions are to be read aloud by a teacher or parent.

- 1. What event begins about March 20?
- 2. When do kids have cold drinks with ice?
- 3. What happens to the leaves in the fall?
- 4. What will return next spring?

Answers: I. spring 2. in the summer 3. They turn red and gold, and they fall off the trees. 4. many birds

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