



## October in the Primary

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**S**EPTEMBER gold has turned to crimson. Everywhere are gorgeous tints. The oaks and maples are a blaze of colour. The glory of the autumn woods is at its height.

The orchards are laden with fruit and the grapes are purpling on the vines.

The weeds are shaking their seeds and the pods are opening to display their harvest.

Now is the time for long rambles through the woods, orchards and lanes. Teach the children to walk with open eyes.

Talk about the new month and its place in the calendar of the school year. Compare the number of days with those of September. Let the pupils count the letters in the word and the syllables as they did in September. Teach the spelling of the word October.

Get the children to tell you the prevailing colour in nature this month. Have them name all the red fruits, leaves and flowers. Use nature's tints for all blackboard decorations.

Let the opening exercises of each month be distinct from those of the preceding month. Select the Scripture memory work whenever possible to carry out the thought of the month. For October the "Parable of the Sower" is good. (Matt. 13: 3-8.)

October Prayer: Keep my little voice to-day,  
Keep it gentle while I pray,  
Keep my hands from doing wrong,  
Keep my feet the whole day long,  
Keep me all, O Jesus mild,  
Keep me ever Thy dear child.

Morning Hymn: "Of such is the Kingdom of Heaven."

### Nature Study—Seeds:

#### I. *Uses of seeds:*

1. Reproduction of plant.
2. As food for men and animals.