

An Autumn Greeting

"Come, little leaves," Said the wind one day, "Come over the meadows With me, and play; Put on your dresses Of red and gold; Summer is gone, And the days grow cold."

Soon as the leaves Heard the wind's loud call, Down they came fluttering, One and all; Over the meadows They danced and flew, Singing the soft Little songs they knew.

Dancing and flying The little leaves went; Winter had called them And they were content – Soon fast asleep In their earthy beds, The snow laid a soft mantle Over their heads.

- George Cooper

• Recite the poem with proper rhythm and intonation.

