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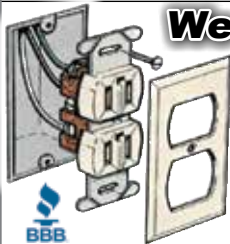


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Fall Anecdotes



1. The Leaf Pile Surprise

"One autumn afternoon, my kids raked a huge pile of leaves in the yard. Just as they were about to jump in, our golden retriever beat them to it—leaves flying everywhere, tail wagging like crazy. The laughter that followed was pure joy."



2. Pumpkin Patch Proposal

"A couple I know got engaged in a pumpkin patch. He carved 'Will you marry me?' into a pumpkin and handed it to her while they were picking out gourds. She said yes, surrounded by hay bales and falling leaves."



3. First Sweater Weather

"Every year, my grandma would knit us new sweaters for fall. The first chilly morning we wore them felt like a warm hug from her—even after she passed, we still pull them out and remember her love."



4. Apple Orchard Mishap

"We went apple picking and got a little too ambitious. Our bags were overflowing, and one apple rolled out, causing a mini avalanche. We ended up with more apples than we could carry—and made pies for the whole neighborhood."



5. Back-to-School Butterflies

"I still remember my daughter's first day of kindergarten in September. She clutched her tiny backpack and looked up at me with nervous eyes. By the end of the day, she was beaming and couldn't stop talking about her new friends."



6. Bonfire Bonding

"One crisp evening, we gathered around a bonfire with blankets and mugs of cider. Someone brought a guitar, and we sang old songs under the stars. It was one of those nights that felt timeless."



7. The Pie Contest Twist

"At our town's fall fair, I entered a pie contest for fun. My crust crumbled, and I was sure I'd lose. Turns out, the judges loved the flavor—and I won third place! Now it's a yearly tradition."



8. Lost & Found

"I dropped a mitten during a fall hike. A week later, someone had hung it on a trail sign with a note: 'Found this cozy friend—hope it finds its way home.' It did."



9. The Leaf Journal

"My son started collecting colorful leaves and gluing them into a notebook. He named each one and wrote stories about where it came from. It became his 'leaf journal'—a beautiful mix of nature and imagination."



10. Squirrel Shenanigans

"We decorated our porch with mini pumpkins. One morning, we caught a squirrel trying to roll one away like a bowling ball. It didn't get far, but it sure made our day."

Snow birds

The License Plate Parade

In Florida, locals often joke that you can tell winter has arrived not by the weather, but by the sudden influx of out-of-state license plates. One resident recalled how their quiet street turned into a mini United Nations of vehicles—New York, Ontario, Michigan, and even a few from Alaska. “It’s like a car show for snowbirds,” they said, “except everyone’s driving a beige Buick.”



The Bingo Showdown

At a community center in Arizona, a long-time snowbird from Minnesota shared how competitive bingo nights became the highlight of her winter. “You’d think we were playing for gold bars,” she laughed. “One lady brought her own lucky dauber and wore a visor like she was at a poker table in Vegas.”

The Great Thermostat Debate

A couple from Quebec who wintered in Naples, Florida, had a running disagreement: the husband wanted the AC blasting, while the wife insisted on keeping windows open to “feel the tropical air.” Their compromise? Alternating days of climate control. “We called it the thermostat truce,” they joked.

Golf Cart Culture

In many snowbird communities, golf carts are the preferred mode of transport. One retiree from Michigan recounted how he customized his cart with fuzzy dice, a mini fridge, and even a horn that played “La Cucaracha.” “It’s not just a ride,” he said, “it’s a lifestyle.”





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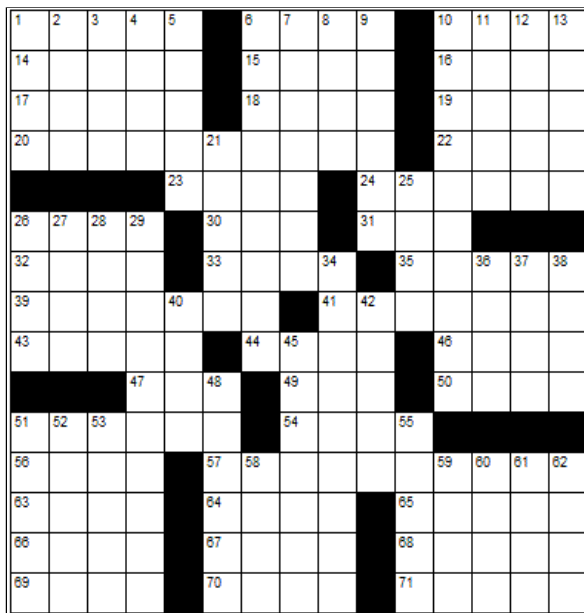
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16. Broadcast
17. Moan
18. Writing styluses
19. Nil
20. Value
22. Greasy
23. Coin opening
24. Granny Smiths and Red delicious
26. Ballet attire
30. Half of two
31. Anagram of "Eat"
32. Any minute
33. Voting district
35. Scrutinize
39. Coating of gold
41. Annoying
43. Not liquid
44. Being
46. European mountains
47. Observe
49. S
50. In order that not
51. Mixologist
54. Female deer (plural)
56. Fertilizer component
57. Teasingly
63. Between black and white
64. Whale
65. Red Sea peninsula
66. Wash
67. Bearing
68. Economic down time
69. Got a good look at
70. Strong fiber
71. Affirmatives



DOWN

1. Seaweed
2. Distort
3. At the peak of
4. Backside
5. Anagram of "Sneer"
6. Spying
7. Deceiver
8. Litter member
9. Oust
10. Relating to menopause
11. Electronic letter
12. Move furtively
13. Doesn't go
21. Buffoon
25. Summit
26. Anagram of "Stag"
27. Freshwater mussel
28. Fee
29. Undaunted
34. Disharmonious
36. Handout
37. Little devils
38. Exam
40. Bright thought
42. Adjust again
45. Lures
48. Bury
51. Army brass instrument
52. Impressive display
53. Female ruff
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58. Diva's solo
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Why do birds fly south in the fall?
Because it's too far to walk!

What did one autumn leaf say to the other?
I'm falling for you!

Why did the scarecrow win an award?
Because he was outstanding in his field!

What's the cutest season?
Aww-tumn!

Why don't trees play poker in the fall?
Too many cheaters!

What do you get when you drop a pumpkin?
Squash!

Why did the apple stop in the middle of the road?
Because it ran out of juice!

What's a tree's favorite drink in the fall?
Root beer!



On plans

We must be willing to get rid of the life we've planned, so as to have the life that is waiting for us.

—Joseph Campbell

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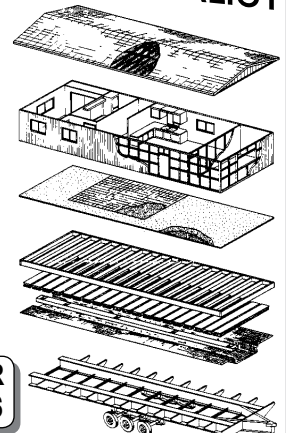
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"Geesh," he said to the doctor, "do you think you could have waited till a decent hour to call?"

"Well," the doctor answered, "You never hesitate to call me in the middle of the night with a medical problem. I have a plumbing emergency! What else am I supposed to do?"

"You're right," conceded the plumber. "Tell me what the problem is."

The doctor told him about the leak in the bathroom.

"Tell you what to do," the plumber said. "Take two aspirins every four hours and drop them down the pipe. If the leak hasn't cleared up in the morning, call me at my office."

— adapted from *Take This Book, Please*, by Henny Youngman

Make it a double?



A well-dressed man began to stop in a bar every after-noon and order two martinis. After several weeks of serving the man the bartender asked him why he didn't order a double instead.

"Oh," the man said. "It's a matter of sentiment. A few weeks ago a good friend of mine died, and before he went he asked me that whenever I have a drink, I have one for him, too."

"Gotcha," the bartender said with understanding.

But a week later when the man sat down he ordered only one martini.

"Hey, what about your dead buddy?" the bartender asked.

"Oh, this is for him," the man answered. "I'm on the wagon." — adapted from *Take This Book, Please*, by Henny Youngman

On laziness

Laziness is nothing more than the habit of resting before you get tired.

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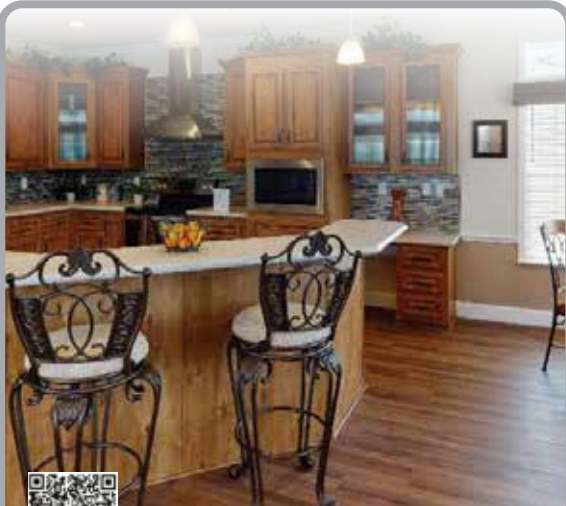
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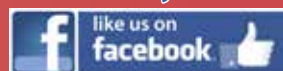
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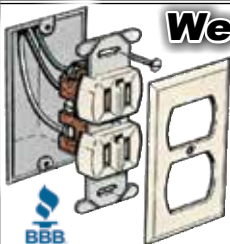
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History

- **Origin:** The holiday originated during the **late 19th century**, a time of growing industrialization and labor unrest.
- **First Celebration:** The first Labor Day was celebrated on **September 5, 1882**, in New York City, organized by the Central Labor Union.
- **Federal Recognition:** It became a **federal holiday in 1894**, following the Pullman Strike—a nationwide railroad strike that led to significant unrest and prompted President Grover Cleveland to make peace with the labor movement.

How It's Celebrated

- **Parades:** Many cities host parades showcasing labor unions, workers, and community organizations.
- **Barbecues & Picnics:** It's also seen as the unofficial end of summer, so families often gather for cookouts and outdoor fun.
- **Retail Sales:** Major sales events happen over Labor Day weekend, especially for back-to-school shopping.
- **Sports:** College football season often kicks off around Labor Day weekend.

Fun Fact

Labor Day is sometimes confused with **May Day** (International Workers' Day), which is celebrated on **May 1** in many countries. The U.S. chose September to distance itself from the more politically charged May Day.

"Without labor, nothing prospers."
— **Sophocles**

"The reward of a thing well done is having done it."
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— **Elbert Hubbard**

If criticism had any power to harm, the skunk would be extinct by now.

— **Fred Allen**

Before you criticize people, you should walk a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticize them, you're a mile away. And you have their shoes.

— **J.K. Lambert**

I love criticism just so long as it is unqualified praise.

— **Noel Coward**

On friends

The imaginary friends I had as a kid dropped me because their friends thought I didn't exist.

— **Aaron Machado**

On vacations

No man needs a vacation so much as the person who has just had one.

— **Elbert Hubbard**



Cat wisdom

Dogs come when they're called; cats take a message and get back to you later.

— **Mary Bly**

Some people say that cats are sneaky, evil, and cruel. True, and they have many other fine qualities as well.

— **Missy Dizick**

If cats could talk, they wouldn't.

— **Nan Porter**

To bathe a cat takes brute force, perseverance, courage of conviction and a cat. The last ingredient is usually hardest to come by.

— **Stephen Baker**

One cat just leads to another.

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September



September is the 9th month of the year in the Gregorian calendar.

Its name comes from the Latin word “*septem*”, meaning **seven**, because it was the seventh month in the ancient Roman calendar.

Seasonal Significance

In the **Northern Hemisphere**, September marks the start of autumn (around September 22–23).

In the **Southern Hemisphere**, it signals the beginning of spring.

Back to School

September is traditionally associated with the **start of the academic year** in many countries, especially in the U.S., Canada, and Europe.

Celestial Events

September often features the **Harvest Moon**, the full moon closest to the autumn equinox.

It's also a month known for **clear night skies**, making it great for stargazing.

Historical Highlights

World War II began in September 1939.

The **Constitution of the United States** was signed on **September 17, 1787**.

Birth Flowers

Aster and Morning Glory are September's birth flowers, symbolizing love, wisdom, and affection.

Birthstone

The sapphire is September's birthstone, representing wisdom, loyalty, and nobility.



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-Monthly Media Staff

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