

Answer Key

Walnut Wonderland

Walnut Wonderland tells the story through a child's eyes of what happens to a walnut tree during the different seasons of the year.

1. Can you list the seasons in the same order the story is told?

1. Fall
2. Winter
3. Spring
4. Summer
5. Fall

2. The child in the story finds something special about each season. Please describe one example of what the child notices during each season with the walnut tree. (May be more than one correct answer.)

Summer: very hot and trees need a lot of water; canopy, hulls crack open

Fall: trees lose leaves; harvesting machinery cleaned; ground beneath trees cleared of debris

Winter: quietest time on farm, work pruning trees, trees dormant

Spring: trees growing fast, leaves sprout, pollination

3. What sentence best describes this story? (Please circle your answer)

- A. Uncle Wally and Aunt Wendy like growing walnuts.
- B. Walnut trees change throughout the seasons.
- C. Chocolate chip cookies with toasted walnuts are delicious.
- D. Squirrels and birds like walnut trees too.

4. Circle True or False for each statement.

- T or F 1. Walnut trees lose their leaves in the late fall.
- T or F 2. Workers handpick walnuts and place them in barrels at harvest time.
- T or F 3. When a boy flower is pollinated a walnut will grow.
- T or F 4. Walnuts grow best in rich fertile soil.
- T or F 5. Walnut trees can grow ten feet in one year.
- T or F 6. When the walnuts trees are dormant the farmers are ready to harvest.