

IT'S PUMPKIN TIME!

Using language in creative and playful ways helps us understand how language works.

We are all authors and have a story to tell.

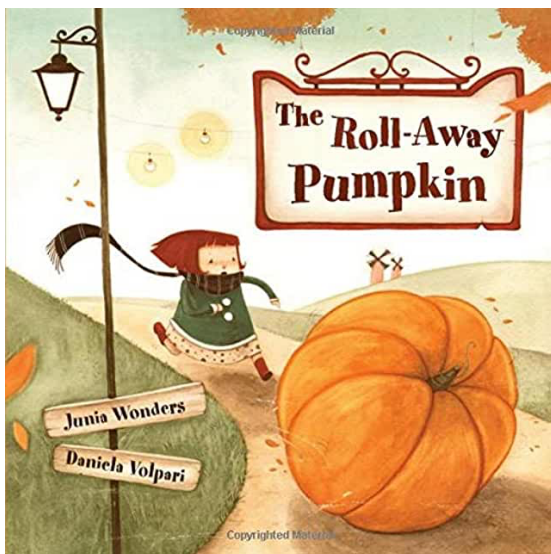
GATHER MATERIALS

- Materials from your *Beautiful Stuff* collection
- A background on which to build your story (paper, cardboard, floor, table, or outside, for example.)

READ ALONG & THINK

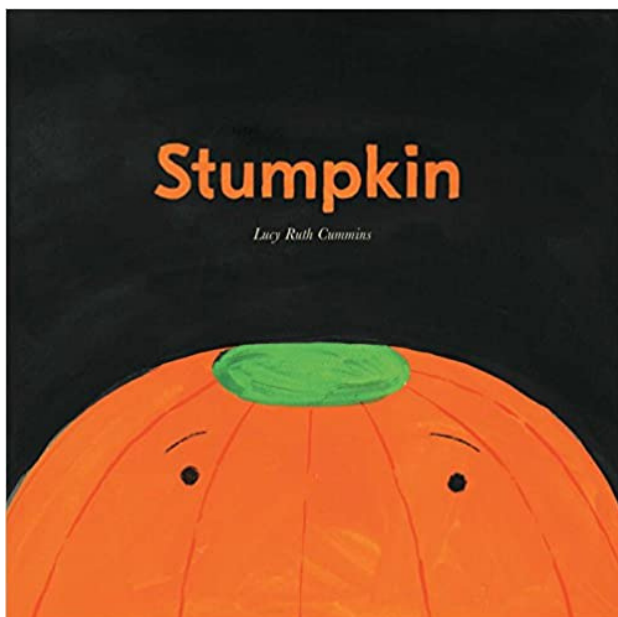
Read along with one or more of these stories and facts about Pumpkins!

- [It's Pumpkin Time](#)
- [Seed, Sprout, Pumpkin Pie](#)
- [Stumpkin](#)
- [The Rollaway Pumpkin](#)
- [Pumpkin Circle: The Story of a Garden](#)
- [Splat the Cat and the Pumpkin Picking Planmm](#)
- What new information did you learn about pumpkins? What ideas for your own stories did these books inspire?



CREATE & SHARE

- MAKE your own story about a pumpkin using your beautiful stuff collection. It could be real or from your imagination. What material in your collection could you use to be your pumpkin? Do you have anything that is orange? If not, you can also draw and colour your pumpkin and cut it out. Who else is in your story? Where does it take place? What happens?
- PLAY with your story.
- TELL someone your story.



GO BEYOND

- DRAW and WRITE your story. You can make a book or use a sheet of paper to show one part of your story!