



# Harvest

Young children often show they have a natural sense of rhythm by dancing to music and singing along to nursery rhymes. Many soon develop a delight in words that rhyme.

We can build on this love of rhythm and rhyme by introducing children to other poems with predictable rhyming words and repetitive phrases which they can join in with. This will encourage their listening skills, and develop their confidence in experimenting with new words.

The images created in some poems inspire children's imaginations, and others, like 'Farmer, Farmer' give them information about people or places.

You could talk about the images suggested in the poem by comparing the words to the illustrations. The poem gradually leads children through the long day of the farmer at harvest time.



Farmer, farmer  
Harvest the crops  
Put into store  
Or fill the shops.

Farmer, farmer  
Up at dawn  
Out in the fields  
Cutting the corn.



Farmer, farmer  
Works all day  
Digging up carrots  
And baling hay

Farmer, farmer  
Out at night  
Driving a tractor  
In fading light

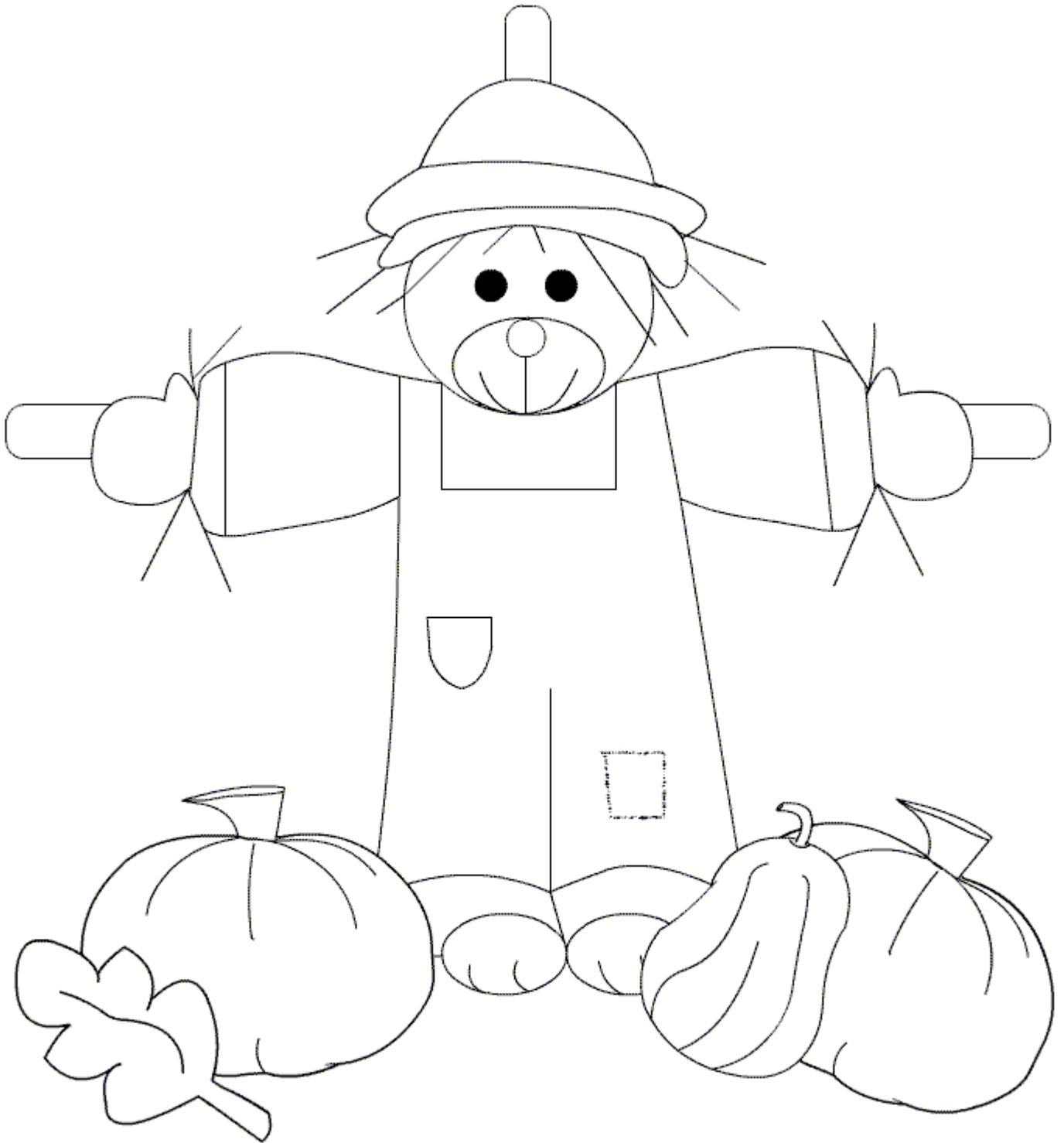


Farmer, farmer  
Fruit to sell  
Apples and  
pears  
And plums as well

Farmer, farmer  
Go to bed!  
Time to rest  
Your weary head.



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