

# The Leaves of Fall

## Crossword Puzzle

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### ACROSS

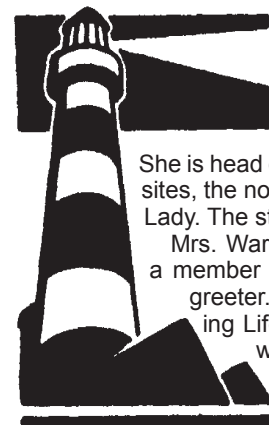
- the green colored material in plant leaves that works with sunlight to make food for a plant.
- "Margaret, are you \_\_\_\_\_ Over Goldengrove unleaving?"
- the name for fern leaves
- the process wherein green plants use the energy from the sun to make food.

### DOWN

- the surface area of a leaf
- What makes leaves turn colors in the Fall.
- these sort of leaves are usually needle-shaped
- the stalk attaching the leaf blade to the stem
- Walt Whitman wrote *Leaves of \_\_\_\_\_*.
- the tubes in a leaf that carry water and minerals

# OFF THE CHARTS!

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## IN THE SPOTLIGHT!

The Spotlight this September is on **Mrs. Learia Ward**. Mrs. Ward wears many hats here at The Learning Curve. She is head of Human Resources, Coordinator for SES and 21st Century sites, the notary public, and most importantly to the students, the Candy Lady. The students call her Meme, her grandchildren-given name. Mrs. Ward began working with The Learning Curve in 2005. She is a member of Word of Life Church in Flowood, where she serves as greeter. During Mrs. Ward's spare time, she enjoys napping, watching Lifetime, cooking for her family, and taking spontaneous trips with close friends and family. One of her favorite places to visit is New Orleans.

Happy Birthday, Learia!  
 - SEPTEMBER 15 -



Mrs. Ward is a true asset to Gray and Associates. She greets everyone she sees with a warm smile and she always makes time to talk to others, including the students. We appreciate Mrs. Ward for her continuous hard work and kind spirit.

What others say...

- "Mrs. Ward has a smile that brightens up your day. She is always concerned and considerate of others." **Chasity Spivey**
- "Mrs. Ward is a joy to work with everyday. She is the most beautiful woman I know, inside and out." **Kim Moore**
- "Mrs. Ward is a loving mother and a very caring person." **Travis Ward**
- "The world is a better place because of the gentle spirit and hard work of Mrs. Ward." **Kathy Pitts**
- "Mrs. Ward is always open to learning new things. She has a great personality and is a joy to work with each day." **Latrina Gray**
- "Mrs. Ward is a great asset to the company and an overall wonderful person." **Juan Gray**

## THE WORDS OF WALT WHITMAN



Walt Whitman: (May 31, 1819 – March 26, 1892) an American poet, essayist, and journalist. He was a humanist who believed in the divine nature of mankind. Whitman is considered to be the Father of Free Verse, a type of poetry that has no regular rhyme or rhythm. When his collection of poems, *Leaves of Grass*, was published in 1855, it was considered very controversial. Later editions contained Whitman's elegy to the President Abraham Lincoln, "When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd." Also, to the assassinated President, he wrote the dramatic "Oh Captain, My Captain!"

Whitman speaks of the shared spirit of all men:  
*Whoever degrades another degrades me,  
 And whatever is done or said returns at last to me.*  
 From *Leaves of Grass*

The Staff of The Learning Curve reminds you,  
**Value Your Education!**

Learn more about Walt Whitman online at [Wikipedia](http://Wikipedia).

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## ACT Workshop Schedule

Test Date	Saturday Classes	Weekly Classes	Registration Deadline
Oct. 22, 2011	Oct. 15, 2011	Oct. 17-20, 2011	Oct. 7, 2011
Dec. 10, 2011	Dec. 3, 2011	Dec. 5-8, 2011	Nov. 25, 2011
April 14, 2012	April 7, 2012	April 9-12, 2012	March 30, 2012
June 9, 2012	June 2, 2012	June 4-7, 2012	June 1, 2012

Weekly Classes	Subject	Time
Monday	Reading	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	Math	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Science	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Thursday	English	5:30p.m. – 7:30 p.m.



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• All subject areas	• Snack Provided

## The Learning Curve ADULT EDUCATION



The Learning Curve (Mississippi Licensed Proprietary School #C639) is geared toward achieving successful and happy futures for adults as well as young students. If you are ready for a career change, call our Career Services Specialist for The Learning Curve at **601/352-5321**, or visit the **Career Services** page on our website.

### September Birthdays

Joseph Tucker .....	September 1
Roshea Spivey .....	September 1
J.L. Bonds.....	September 2
Camella Johnson.....	September 6
Michelle Dorsey.....	September 8
Sabrena Moore.....	September 10

Umekia Doty.....	September 14
Learia Ward.....	September 15
Jaquana Scott.....	September 16
Yolonda Richmond .....	September 20
Catherine James .....	September 22
Aisha Williams .....	September 22
Sharon Turner.....	September 23



The Learning Curve asks its students which football and basketball teams they are rooting for this year?

- Kameron:** Football – New Orleans Saints; Basketball – Miami Heat
- Dylan:** Football – New Orleans Saints; Basketball – Lakers
- Taylor:** Football – JSU and New Orleans Saints; Basketball – Miami Heat
- Kristopher:** Football – New Orleans Saints; Basketball – Miami Heat
- Camia:** Football – Patriots; Basketball – Boston Celtics
- David:** Football – New Orleans Saints; Golf – Tiger Woods

### Did you know?—

There's a theory that there were once two moons in our sky. According to this theory, the smaller moon "splatted" into our larger Moon in a slow-motion collision that created the mountainous region that is found on the Moon's far side. The near side, the side that always faces the Earth, is dominated by vast smooth plains of ancient hardened lava. In contrast, the Moon's far side is marked by mountainous highlands. Researchers have long struggled to account for this difference.

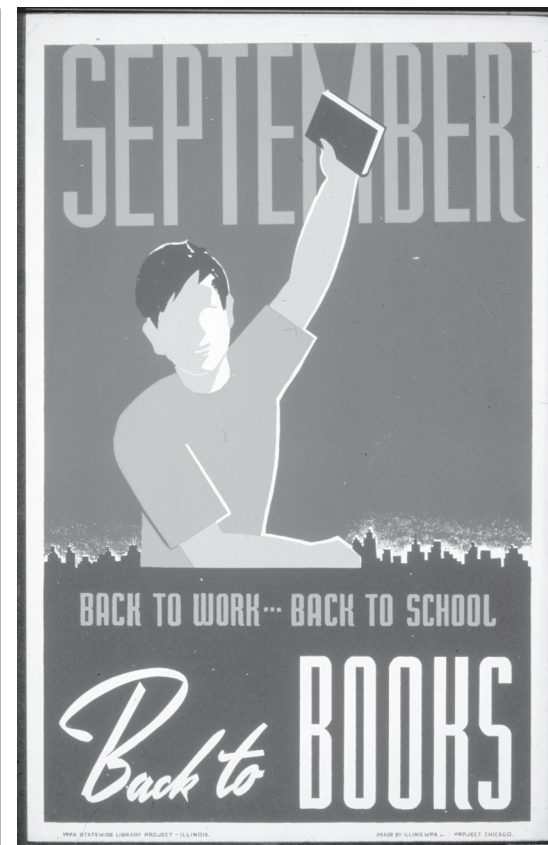


NASA illustration

At 10:08 a.m., Saturday September 10, NASA launched the GRAIL (Gravity Recovery and Interior Laboratory) mission to search out an answer to this mystery. Comprised of two orbiters, this mission will measure the gravity field of the Moon from which a map will be generated. These measurements will tell us a lot about the distribution of material inside the Moon, and give us pretty definitive information about the differences in the two sides of the Moon. If the density of crustal material on the far side differs from that on the near side in a particular way, the finding will lend support to the 'two moon' theory.

The collision between the two moon's was so slow that a crater wasn't formed, instead the remains of the smaller moon wrapped around one side of our Moon. In short, the lunar highlands on the far side are the lost moon's remains. Imagine a night sky with two full moons!

from a NASA press release



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