Apple Unit

Books

Apple by Angela Royston

Apples by Gail Gibbons

Apples Here! By Will Hubbell

Applesauce by Shirley Kurtz

Apples and Pumpkins by Anne Rockwell

Apple Farmer Annie by Monica Wellington

Apple Picking Time by Michele B. Slawson

How Do Apples Grow by Betsy Maestro

I Am An Apple by Jean Marzollo

Johnny Appleseed by Steven Kellogg

Little Mouse and the Big Red Apple by A.H. Benjamin

Rain Makes Applesauce

The Seasons of Arnold’s Apple Tree by Gail Gibbons

The Big Red Apple

The Apple Pie Tree by Zoe Hall

Ten Apples Up On Top by Dr. Seuss

Ten Red Apples by Pat Hutchins

Where is the Apple Pie by Valeri Gorbachev
# Poems and Songs

| **Ten Shiny Apples**  
By Victoria Smith  
(tune: Angel Band) | **Apples**  
by Victoria Smith | **Have You Ever Seen An Apple**  
(tune: Have You Ever Seen a Lassie?) |
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| There was one  
There were two  
There were three shiny apples.  
There were four  
There were five  
There were six shiny apples.  
There were seven  
There were eight  
There were nine shiny apples.  
There were ten shiny apples in the tree. | A red apple.  
A yellow apple.  
A green apple.  
A blue apple?  
A red apple. Yum!  
A yellow apple. Yum!  
A green apple. Yum!  
A blue apple? Yuck | Have you ever seen an apple,  
an apple, an apple.  
Have you ever seen an apple,  
that grows on a tree?  
A red one, a yellow one,  
a green one, a golden one.  
Have you ever seen an apple,  
that grows on a tree? |
| **Apples, Apples**  
(tune: Twinkle, Twinkle) | **Apple Seed**  
(tune: Twinkle, Twinkle) | **Found an Apple**  
[tune: "My Darling Clementine"] |
| Apples juicy, apples round,  
On the tree or on the ground.  
Apples yellow, apples red,  
Apple pie and juice and bread!  
Apples crunchy, apples sweet,  
Apples are so good to eat! | I'm a little apple seed,  
Peeking through,  
Please help me,  
I'll help you.  
Dig me a hole,  
And hide me away,  
And I'll be an apple tree,  
Some fine day. | Found an apple, found an apple.  
Found an apple on a tree.  
I was napping, just catnapping,  
Underneath the apple tree.  
Then it hit me, then it his me,  
As the apple fell on me.  
I discovered, yes discovered.  
Newton's law of gravity. |
| **Found an Apple**  
[tune: "My Darling Clementine"] | **Ten Little Apples**  
[tune: "Ten Little Indians"] | **I Love Apples**  
[tune: "You Are My Sunshine"] |
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| Ten red apples growing on a tree,  
(Hold hands up high.) | Way up high in the apple tree  
Two round apples smiled at me.  
I shook that tree as hard as I could  
Down came the apples  
Mmmmm! They were good! | Apples in the attic,  
Apples in the hall,  
Apples in the summer,  
Apples in the fall.  
Apples make you healthy,  
Apples make you tall,  
I will eat some apples,  
I will eat them all. |
| Five for you and five for me.  
(Shake one hand, then the other.) | Help me shake the tree just so,  
(Shake whole body.) | |
| And ten red apples down below,  
(Lower hands while flitting fingers.) | | |
flitting fingers.)
One, two, three, four, five,
(Count fingers on one hand.)
Six, seven, eight, nine, ten.
(Count fingers on opposite hand.)

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<td>Red apples, Green apples, Yellow apples, too. Big apples, Little apples, Shiny apples, too. Crunchy apples, Soft apples, Rotten apples, ooh!</td>
<td>Do you know the apple man, The apple man, the apple man? Do you know the apple man? He planted apple seeds. He wore a pot upon his head, Upon his head, upon his head. He wore a pot upon his head. His name was Johnny Appleseed. John Chapman was his real name, His real name, his real name. John Chapman was his real name; But, we call him Johnny Appleseed.</td>
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**Class Book**

After reading *Ten Apples Up On Top*, make a class book. Take head shot photos of the students. Let the students draw for the number of apples that they will be using. Each page in the book has the frame "__________ has _____ apples up on top." Use boy and girl cutouts for the bodies. Give them their photos for the heads on the cutouts. Give them the correct number of apple cutouts to put on top of their head. Then they write their name in the correct place and write their number in the correct place on the sheet.

**Language Experience Story**

**Johnny Appleseed**

After reading *Johnny Appleseed* by Steven Kellogg, make Johnny Appleseed books. Have the children dictate to you facts they learned about Johnny Appleseed. Let the children illustrate the pages.

**Pocket Chart Stories**

After telling the "The Little Red House" story, put the following word strips in a to make a pocket chart story.

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What is round
    and red
has no windows
    has no door
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a chimney on top
and a star inside?
An apple.

Math Activities

Sorting
Sort real apples brought in for show and tell if possible or
die-cut red, yellow, and green apples (that are laminated) to sort.

Patterns
Make AB pattern cards with red, yellow, or green apple cut outs on them. Have the student use the same color unifix cubes to make AB patterns.

Ordering
Fill Ziploc bags with laminated apples numbered 0-5 in them. Have the students put the apples in order and ask another student to check their work.

Apple Match
Apple match folder games and activities can be found on
http://www.childcareland.com/free.html

Felt Board Story: Five Red Apples
http://www.preschoolprintables.com/felt/apples/feltapple.shtml

Science Activities

Use Your Apple Sense
Brainstorm ideas about apples. How do apples look, feel, smell, sound, and taste. Chart the student’s ideas on a brainstorming web and leave them up during the apple unit. Do only one sense a day. At the end of the week make an apple shape book describing apples.

Apples
Apples look ________.
Apples feel ________.
Apples smell ________. 
Apples sound ________.
Apples taste ________.

Art Projects

Stained Glass Apples
A great art project for this unit is stained glass apples. Trace an apple pattern onto red, green, and yellow construction paper. Let the students choose the color of their apple. Cut out the inside and the outside of their apple. Cut squares of tissue paper in all shades of red, green, and yellow. Put the apple cutout on a piece of contact paper (just barely covering the opening with the sticky side up. The students then add the tissue paper all over the contact paper.

The Apple Tree Cycle
On 12x18 construction paper, glue 4x1 pieces of brown paper to make tree trunks. Use a brown crayon and draw branches on the trees. For the fall tree, cut small squares of tissue paper in brown, yellow and orange. Use the eraser end of a pencil, dip into glue and then on a piece of tissue paper, then add the tissue paper to the branches using the pencil eraser to attach. For the spring tree use the same procedure only use pink and green tissue paper to simulate blossoms and leaves. For the summer tree use red and green tissue paper to simulate apples and leaves. For the winter tree, use the pencil eraser to add dots of glue to the branches and sprinkle with white and silver glitter. You can also have the children put glue on just the branches and sprinkle with glitter.

Class Apple Trees
After reading The Seasons of Arnold’s Apple Tree do a class project. Tear off four sheets of white bulletin board paper about 3ft by 3ft. Draw tree trunks and branches on them. Divide the children into groups. Have one group paint the trunks, another group paint the branches, another group sponge the blossoms, leaves, and apples. Put them up and label them with fall, winter, spring and summer.

Writing
Use apple shaped paper with lines for writing activities. Shaped paper in a variety of shapes can be found at http://www.eduplace.com/shapebook/
Cooking

Simple Applesauce

5 apples  
3/4 cup water  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 cup sugar  

Peel, core, and slice each apple into 8 pieces. Put apples in pot with water, cinnamon, and sugar. Cover and boil until apples are tender. Use a potato masher to mash the apples into applesauce.

Baked Apples

Make baked apples for the children to enjoy at snack time. Wash and core one apple per child. Place apples upright in a baking dish. Fill centers of apples with raisins and brown sugar. Sprinkle some cinnamon on top. Bake for one hour at 350. Serve with vanilla ice cream. Sure to be a hit!

An Apple Smile

Core and slice an apple. Spread peanut butter on one side of each apple slice. Place four tiny marshmallows on top of the peanut butter of one slice. Top with another apple slice, peanut butter side down. Gently squeeze together.

Apple Honey Grahams

Need: Apples, Graham crackers, Peanut butter, Optional: honey

Give each child a slice of apple and a table knife for dicing the apple. Spread a graham cracker slice with peanut butter. Add honey, if you like. Sprinkle diced apples on top.

Caramel Apples

Slice apples into fourths. Spoon caramel dip over apple slices and broil in toaster oven.