# **Harvest Festival Readings**



# Every day of the year, a crop is gathered somewhere in the world.

For hundreds of years, people all over the world have held harvest festivals to celebrate a good harvest.

All harvest festivals are times of thankfulness and offer a time to think about the blessings in our lives.

The season of harvest is also a time for us to think about how we can be generous to others.

And it is a time to consider how we look after our world.

#### Reader A: Saint Paul wrote

Reader B: in Thessalonians 5

Reader A: verse 5

Reader B: "Be good to each other Reader A: and to everyone else Reader B: always be joyful

Reader A: and never stop praying Reader B: and whatever happens Readers A & B: keep thanking God!

### Cabbages, cauliflowers,

crisp, crunchy Swedes, peppers and parsnips and melons with seeds;

Onions and mushrooms, potatoes, fish and chips, tomatoes, bananas and apples with pips.

Stick beans and broad beans and beans in a tin, blackcurrants so juicy they run down your chin;

Cornflakes for breakfast And mangoes for tea-Come to our harvest And give thanks with me!

#### **HARVEST Acrostic Poem**

**H** is for the Harvest. Farmers work hard, hour by hour, to cut and store the golden grain that's then made into flour.

**A** is for apples, pears and plums, all hanging from the tree.

They're fresh and sweet and juicy - a treat for you and me.

**R** is for red and yellow, orange, gold and green,

the trees so full of colour as nature paints the scene.

**V** is for vegetables, gathered and safely stored away.

Potatoes, carrots, sprouts and peas, so there's some for every day.

**E** is for the earth, providing all our food,

with sun and rain to make things grow to give us all that's good.

**S** is for seeds, so gently twirling to the ground, settling deep within the soil where new growth will be found.

 ${f T}$  - So it's a big Thank You we must not forget to say

To God above who shows his love in caring day by day.

## What a Wonderful World by Louis Armstrong

A: I see trees of green, red roses too
I see them bloom for me and you
And I think to myself what a wonderful world.

B: I see skies of blue and clouds of white The bright blessed day, the dark sacred night And I think to myself what a wonderful world.

A: The colours of the rainbow so pretty in the sky Are also on the faces of people going by I see friends shaking hands saying how do you do They're really saying I love you.

B: I hear babies crying, I watch them grow They'll learn much more than I'll never know And I think to myself what a wonderful world Yes I think to myself what a wonderful world.