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The leaves are fading and falling;
The winds are rough and wild;
The birds have ceased their calling--
But let me tell you, my child,

Though day by day, as it closes,
Doth darker and colder grow,
The roots of the bright red roses
Will keep alive in the snow.

And when the winter is over,
The boughs will get new leaves,
The quail come back to the clover,
And the swallow back to the eaves.

The robin will wear on his bosom
A vest that is bright and new,
And the loveliest wayside blossom
Will shine with the sun and dew.

The leaves today are whirling;
The brooks are all dry and dumb--
But let me tell you, my darling,
The spring will be sure to come.

There must be rough, cold weather,
And winds and rains so wild;
Not all good things together
Come to us here, my child.

So, when some dear joy loses
Its beauteous summer glow,
Think how the roots of the roses
Are kept alive in the snow.

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Multiple Choice

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3. What does the author mean by "the spring will be sure to come"? <input type="radio"/> A Things will get better. <input type="radio"/> B Things will get worse. <input type="radio"/> C Things always stay the same.	4. What will happen to the trees when winter is over? <input type="radio"/> A They will lose their leaves. <input type="radio"/> B They will die. <input type="radio"/> C They will get new leaves.

Short Answer Questions

5. According to the poem, what will the birds do when winter is over? _____
6. Explain what the author means in the sixth stanza. Do you think she is just talking about winter? Give reasons for your answer. _____
7. What clues in the first stanza tell you that it is November? _____ _____
8. Why does the author say that the brooks are "dry and dumb"? _____

Poetic Techniques Short Answer Questions

9. Explain how the author is comparing November to a problem in life. Give clues from the poem to support your answer. _____

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10. What is the tone of this poem? Give reasons for your answer.

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