

# Springtime with Nova the Owl

*Learning objective: To identify and describe the changes associated with the season of Spring.*

Read the text carefully with an adult, then answer the questions below.

Spring is a wonderful time of year. Nova the owl sits on her branch and watches the world change. During winter, the trees were bare and the days were cold. Now, the sun stays out for longer and the air feels much warmer. This makes the plants wake up! Green buds appear on the branches, and soon they turn into beautiful, colorful blossom. Many animals have babies in the spring. You might see fluffy ducklings swimming in the pond or hear birds singing loudly in the garden. Farmers are busy too, as it is the perfect time to plant new seeds in the soil. Nova loves to see the flowers start to bloom, like bright yellow daffodils and purple crocuses. The ground is no longer frozen, so everything can grow tall and strong. Spring is a time for new beginnings. It is a busy and exciting season for all of nature. Nova keeps her eyes wide open to spot every new leaf and tiny insect that appears. She knows that nature is full of surprises when the sun finally warms the earth.

*Word bank: season · blossom · weather · hatch · temperature · nature*

**1. Name two things that happen to plants in the spring. (2 marks)**

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**2. What does Nova the owl see swimming in the pond? (1 mark)**

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**3. Why do you think farmers wait until spring to plant their seeds? (2 marks)**

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**4. How do we know that the weather is changing from winter to spring? (2 marks)**

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**5. Which season do you like better, winter or spring? Give one reason why. (2 marks)**

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**Draw:** Draw a picture of a garden in spring. Include a bright yellow daffodil, a green tree with new buds, and a little animal.



*Extension challenge: Go on a nature walk with an adult. Make a list of three signs of spring that you can see, hear, or touch.*