

## **Foreword Review**

## **The Leaf Thief**

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A cozy squirrel becomes frantic when he determines that one of the leaves in his bright canopy has gone missing. Eyes wide, he jumps from spot to spot, asking the other animals if they know who the thief is; the answer is more seasonal, and benign, than he suspects. The personalities of animals who're ready for hibernation are captured in the bemused details of this fun seasonal story, from a tiny bird's decorated house to Squirrel's own warm, happy home.

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