

The Long Sleep

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When red leaves fall,
I eat all day.

Then dig my den—
No time to play.



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Read the pages aloud. Clap the beat
of the poem. Underline the words you
clapped on.

Full and happy,
I sleep and sleep
Through winter's chill
And snowfalls deep.





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Highlight the words that tell how the bear changes when winter comes.