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Why Does Weather Change with the Seasons?

Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. Without seasons, we might have the same weather all year. Plants might not grow the same, and animals would behave differently.
2. Answers will vary (e.g., "I like winter because it snows. The air is cold, and I wear a coat.")
3. When Earth tilts toward the Sun, we get more sunlight and warmth. When it tilts away, we get less.
4. "Today marks the start of fall. Our part of Earth is tilting away from the Sun, so we'll start seeing cooler weather and shorter days!"

