Tumbling Into Love Again a *kasen-no-renga* by Morgan Bettner, Maddy Batek and Mackenzie Martin

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flowers blooming baby fawn awakes against his warm mother

> eyes wide open he sees leaves budding

little birds chirp from a branch high up above

i remember skinned knees on trees like these

under the moonlight the willow dips its limbs into the water

a sigh of relief autumnal bliss upon us again...

air begins to nip at the leaves as they tumble down

tumbling into love again my poor heart can't take it

love slowly dies as the plants outside die as well

oh there he is again! an ex-boyfriend

i drop a banana peel hoping he'll slip

instead we talk about the weather whether or not i want to

too bad the moon is the only star out tonight

spring fades to summer putting on sandals

walking to the beach trying to work on that summer bod

feeling fresh squatting... 20 pounds

new flowers bud just like my newfound strength

and i push my shoulders back

pushing the wheelbarrow i prepare the fields for the new season

pushing while i pull a natural light out

one sip aw refreshing i begin to chug

reflecting on... a beautiful life

the grass gets covered in a white blanket

so soft i pack up a snowball

by the warm fire we cuddle mistletoe just out of sight

one cup of hot chocolate shared between the two of us

i love her but yet have no words

finding courage i face my fears

the man in the moon smiles down my faithful friend crunching my boots on the leaf covered trail

the creek gets colder no longer swimming season

i throw a football touchdown

thanksgiving surrounded by family i fall asleep

> the children draw on the sleepy man's face

pansies lift their heads upwards spring rain at last

brilliant colors another baby born

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