

TAKE-HOME STORYTIME: WINTER



Snowman Game

Play a round of "Snowman Says" (or "Frosty Says")! This game is great for practicing listening skills and self regulation. Use the same rules as "Simon Says," only whoever is "Simon" dresses up in a scarf or hat.



You can use the tulle snowflake provided by the library for small motor skill practice, or use your whole body to act out the actions to get some wiggles out!

Snowflakes, snowflakes all around, (twirl in a circle)
Snowflakes, snowflakes on the ground (twirl and fall to the ground)
Some are big and some are small (make your body big and small)
Roll them into a snow ball (roll body or snowflake into a ball).
When the sun comes out to play,
Watch as they all melt away! (hide your snowflake or pretend to melt).

More Winter Games

Freeze Dance

Turn on some favorite winter songs (songs from *Frozen*, or Leroy Anderson's "Sleigh Ride" work great) then dance until you shout "FREEZE!" and turn off the music. A fun variation is to take pictures of frozen poses or take slow motion videos of the dancing.

Buried Snow Treasures

Find plastic animals or little objects you can hide in the snow. Take turns hiding them and finding them in the snow!



Marshmallow Slime

ADULT HELP NEEDED (Edible sensory play)

6 jumbo Marshmallows 1 tbsp cooking oil 1/2-1 tbsp cornstarch

- Melt marshmallows with oil for 30 seconds in microwave safe bowl
- Add cornstarch and mix
- As it cools, knead with hands to play!

(picture: Mrs. Plemon's Kindergarten)

Make a snowman snack to eat with hot chocolate while you read a winter story!

2 Winter Songs/Fingerplays

On a Cold and Frosty Morning

(Tune: Here We Go 'Round the Mulberry Bush)

This is the way we put on our hat, put on our hat, put on our hat, This is the way we put on our hat on a cold and frosty morning!

Repeat this song with a verse for gloves, scarves, coats, boots, etc! This is a great song to use when dressing for snow (or you could just pretend and mime dressing just for fun).

Here Comes Snow Song (use rhythm sticks or clap the rhythm)

(Tune: This Old Man)
Feel the chill
In the air
It is getting cold out there!
With a windy WHOOSH
All the leaves fall to the ground.
Soon we see snow coming down!

