## Theme: Snow



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Song	It Is Snowing	It is Snowing	Pretty Snowflakes	, and the second	Pretty Snowflakes	Take a Day Trip to the Snow
Art	Glitter Snowflakes	Q-Tip Snowflakes	Snow Sponge Painting	Snowflake w/ Photograph	Snowy Finger Paint	Go out for Shaved Ice
Science	Crystal Snowflakes	What Melts Faster?	Ice Log	Crystal Paint	Sticky Ice	
Math	Snowflake Worksheet	Counting Mobile	Snowflake Matching	Biggest to Littlest	Snowflake Counting Sticks	Visit an ice skating rink
Language	Story Scene	Painted S	Find the Snow Clothes	Snowy Play Dough	S is for Snow Worksheet	
Snack	Snowflake Quesadilla	Fruit & Marshmallow Snowflake	Frosty Juice	Snowballs	Blizzards	

### Materials:

Plain or Construction Paper

Glue

Glue or Glue Stick Glitter (any color/s)

Glitter (silver or iridescent)

White Pipe Cleaners (chenille stems)

String Pencil

1/2 C. Borax (not Boraxo) Food Coloring (optional)

Wide Mouth Jar

Color Crayons/Markers

Clear Contact Paper (optional)

Q-Tips

Q-Tip or Small Paint Brush Wax Paper (or plastic wrap)

Salt 3 C. Flour 1 1/2 C. Salt

6 tsp. Vegetable Oil 6 tsp. Cream of Tartar Resealable Plastic Bag Sugar

4 cups (or other containers)

Safety Scissors (if your child will help cut)

Washable White Paint Small Paint Brush (optional) Blue Construction Paper

Dark Blue or Black Construction Paper

Paper Plate (optional)

Sponges

Cardboard Milk Carton

(or other water-tight container) **Assorted Nature Materials** 

leaves, flowers, twigs, bark small pine cones 1/2 C. Coconut Flakes

Cardstock or Construction Paper Small Photograph of your child

1 1/2 C. Epsom Salt

Foam Shaving Cream (not gel)

Cereal Box Craft Sticks Aluminum Foil

## Snack Ingredients:

**Tortillas** 

Shredded Cheese Large Marshmallow Mini Marshmallows rounded toothpicks

Fruit, cut into bite-size pieces (grapes strawberries)

Gallon Ziplock Bag Pint Ziplock Bag Ice Cream Salt 1/2 C. 100% Fruit Juice

Crushed Ice

1 1/4 C. Old Fashioned Oats

1/2 C. Honey

2 C. Vanilla Ice Cream

1 C. Milk

# Snowy Finger Paint

#### Materials:

Blue Construction Paper

1-2 Tablespoons Glue

1 Cup Foam Shaving Cream (not gel)

#### **Directions:**

Mix the glue and shaving cream.

Let your child finger paint a snowy scene on the construction paper.

Let dry. (It will dry "puffy" especially if they dab rather than rub.)

Display!



## Snowflake with Photograph

#### Materials:

A Photograph of Your Child

Glue or Glue Stick

Snowflake Template

Safety Scissors (if your child will be cutting)

#### **Directions:**

Cut out (or help your child to cut out) the snowflake template:

http://amazinghomedecorating.com/cart/photos/snowflake-stocking-temp.jpg

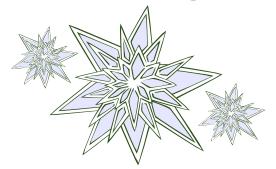
Let your child decorate the snowflake if they wish.

Glue your child's photograph in the center of the snowflake.

Talk about how each snowflake is different and unique just like each child is unique!

Let dry, and display!

## Snow Sponge Painting



#### Materials:

Blue Construction Paper

Paper Plate (optional)

Sponges (if used, soak in bleach & water solution to sanitize)

White Washable Paint (I recommend Crayola)

#### Directions:

Cut the sponges into basic snowflake shapes (if desired) Round shapes also work beautifully.

Place a small amount of white paint on the paper plate. Show you child how to dip the sponges in the paint and press onto the blue construction paper.

Create your beautiful snow scene, let dry & display!



## Q-Tip Snowflakes

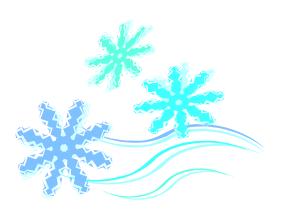
#### Materials:

Q-Tips

Glue

Wax Paper (or plastic wrap)

Glitter



#### **Directions:**

Messy Alert: Do this activity outside or on a well-protected work surface (including the floor!!)

Pour a small pile of glue on a piece of wax paper or plastic wrap.

Let your child place one end of the q-tips in the glue forming a circle (think the spokes of a wheel).

Let you child shake glitter on their snowflake.

Let Dry. Shake off excess glitter.

Peel of the backing and display!

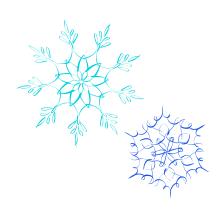
## Glitter Snowflakes

#### Materials:

Plain paper (or construction paper)

Glue

Glitter (all different colors will work)



#### **Directions:**

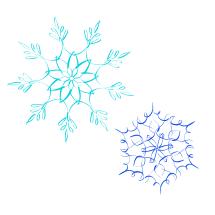
Cut snowflakes for your child (for directions see: <a href="http://www.highhopes.com/snowflakes.html">http://www.highhopes.com/snowflakes.html</a> )

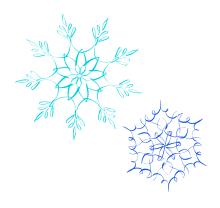
Let your child drizzle glue over them.

Let your child sprinkle glitter over the snowflakes

Let Dry, shake off excess glitter.

Display! (These look wonderful in a window.)





## Story Scene

#### Materials:

**Templates** 

Clear Contact Paper (optional)

#### **Directions:**

Print out templates and cut out.

Cover with clear contact paper if desired.

Allow your child to create whatever scene they desire, and encourage them to tell you a story about it.

You may record or write the story if you wish.

\*\*Store the pieces in a plastic gallon zipper bag and it can be re-used as many times as you would like!







## Painted S

#### Materials:

Template

Washable White Paint

Safety Scissors (if your child will help cut)

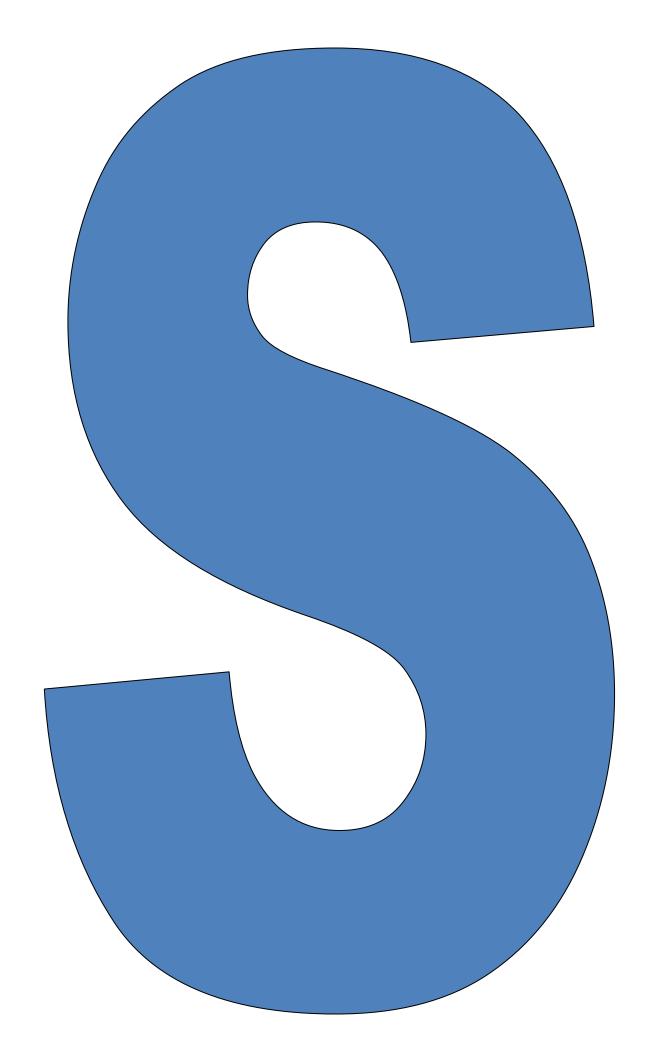
Small Paint Brush (optional)

#### **Directions:**

Print out template and cut out. (Or help your child to cut out.)

Encourage your child to paint the letter S with the washable white paint (either finger paint or paint with a brush).

Let dry.



## Find the Snow Clothes

#### Materials:

**Templates** 

Glue or Glue Stick

Safety Scissors (if your child will help cut)

#### **Directions:**

Print out templates and cut out. (Or help your child to cut out.)

Encourage your child to choose which clothing articles are best for wear outside in the snow.

Help your child to glue the appropriate clothing onto the snow clothes page.



## **Snow Clothes**



## Snowflake Matching

#### Materials:

Snowflake Matching Cards Template

Clear Contact Paper (optional)

Cardstock (optional) or Construction Paper

#### **Directions:**

Print out snowflake matching cards template and cut out. http://prekinders.com/winter/SnowflakeMatchingCards.pdf

Print on cardstock paper, or use construction paper to back each card (so you can't see through it!)

Mix the cards up and place them face-down on the floor or a table.

Take turns with your child turning over two cards. If they match, you get to keep the cards. If they do not match turn them back over, and the next player chooses two cards.

Play until all the matches have been found.

## Snowflake Counting Sticks

#### Materials:

Snowflake Templates (optional)

Cereal Box

Craft Sticks (popsicle sticks)

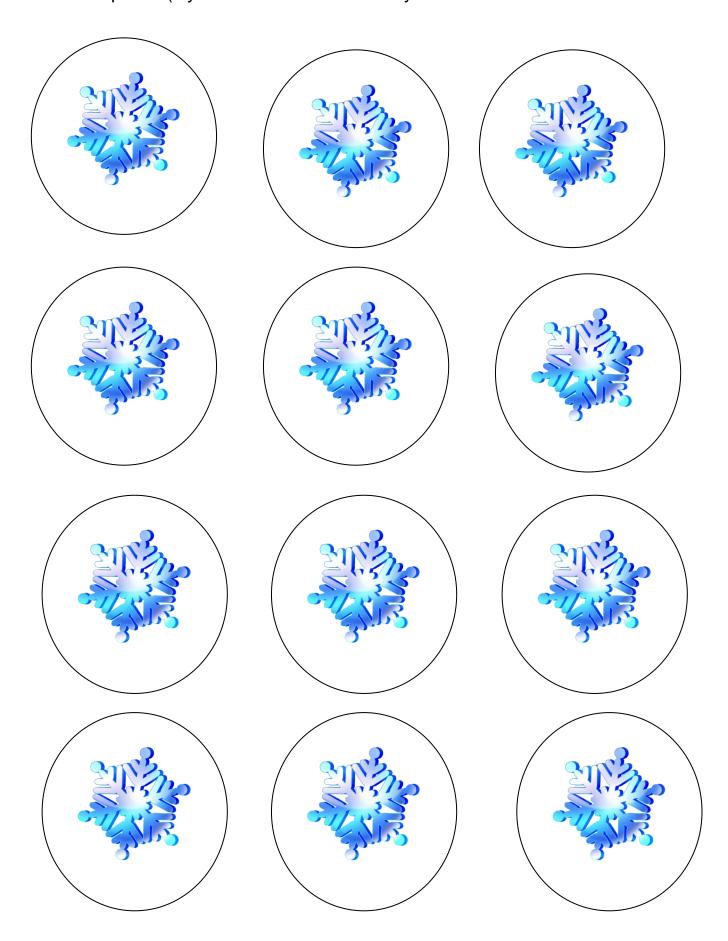
Glue Stick or Tape

#### **Directions:**

http://thehomeschoolden.blogspot.com/2010/11/snowflake-math-2-12-yr-olds-activity.html

It's the last activity listed on the page!

Templates (if you do not wish to cut out your own snowflakes:



# Counting Mobile

#### Materials:

Cloud & Snowflake Templates

String

Tape

Safety Scissors (if your child will be cutting)

#### **Directions:**

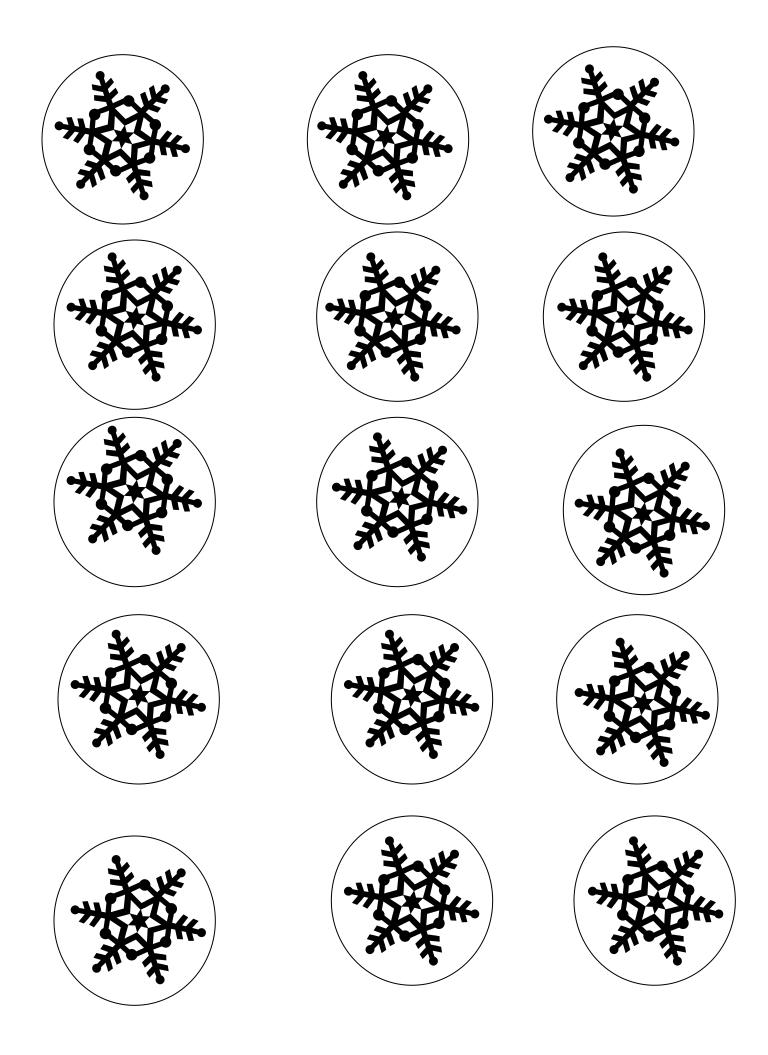
Print out cloud template and cut out. (Or help your child to cut out.)

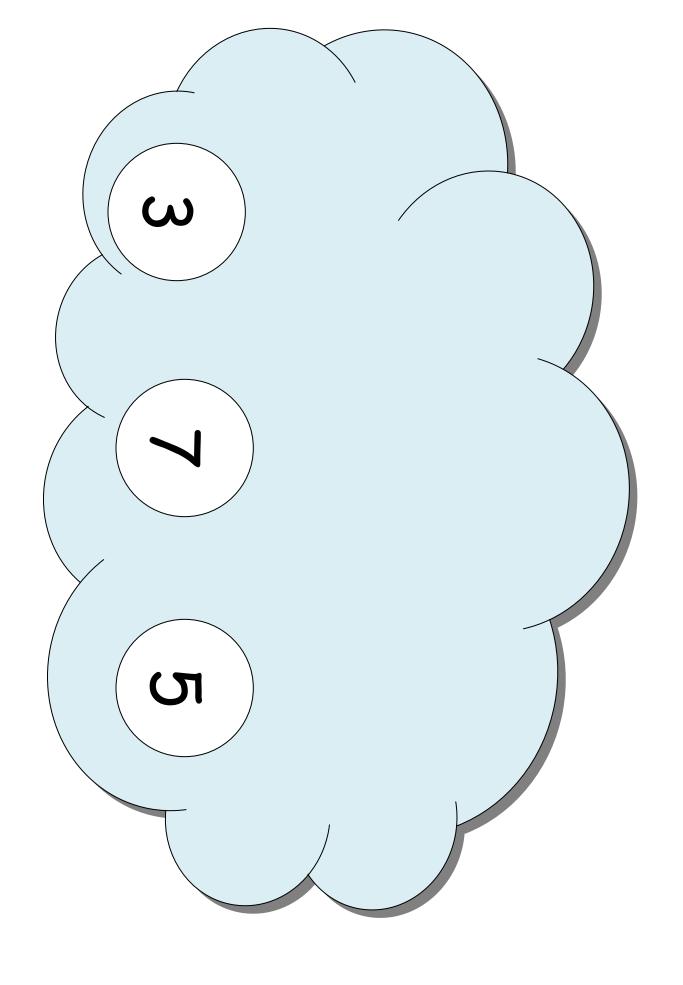
Cut out snowflakes

Help your child to count out the appropriate number of snowflakes, and then tape them to a piece of string.

Tape each string to the back of the cloud shape, under the appropriate number.

Display proudly!





## Biggest to Littlest

#### Materials:

Snowflake Templates

Glue Stick or Tape

Safety Scissors (if your child will be cutting)

**Construction Paper** 

#### **Directions:**

Print out snowflake templates and cut out. (Or help your child to cut out.)

Help your child to sort the snowflakes biggest to littlest and glue or tape them in the correct order onto the construction paper.

Display proudly!







## What Melts Faster?

#### Materials:

Ice Cubes

Water

Salt

Sugar

Four Cups (or other containers)

#### **Directions:**

Make four solutions to test.

**Cold Water** 

Hot Water

Salt Water

Sugar Water

Put an ice cube in each and see what melts the ice faster!



# Sticky Ice

#### Materials:

Ice Cubes

Salt

String



#### Directions:

Take an ice cube and slide a piece of string across the top of it. Notice that the string does not stick.

Next, place the string on top of the ice and pour some salt over the string. Wait for one minute and then see what happens to the string and the ice!

## Ice Log



#### Materials:

Cardboard Milk Carton (or other water-tight container)

Water

Assorted Nature Materials (leaves, flowers, twigs, bark, small pine cones etc.)

#### Directions:

Fill your cardboard milk carton 2/3 full of water.

Add your nature materials to the water.

Freeze overnight.

The next day tear away the cardboard (or unmold the container), and have fun looking at the items frozen in the ice.

If you place it in a bowl or other container you can watch the ice slowly melt and your items re-appear.

# Crystal Snowflakes

#### Materials:

White Pipe Cleaners (Chenille Stems)

String

Pencil

Water

½ Cup Borax (in the laundry aisle; 20 Mule Team Borax Booster – not Boraxo)

Food Coloring (optional)

Wide Mouth Jar

#### Directions:

Cut a pipe cleaner into three equal parts.

Help your child to twist into a basic snowflake shape.

Tie with string to the pencil.

Adults Only: Take precautions to make sure your child is safely out of reach while doing the next two steps.

Boil the water and pour into the wide-mouth jar; leaving room at the top.

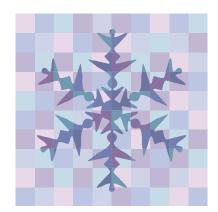
Add the borax to the boiling water & stir to dissolve.

You may add a few drops of food coloring if you would like colored crystals.

Gently lower the snowflake into the borax water.

Over the next few days watch as crystals form on your snowflake!

These are beautiful displayed in a window!



# Crystal Paint

#### Materials:

Dark Blue or Black Construction Paper

Q-Tip or small paint brush

1 Cup Water

1 ½ Cup Epsom Salt



#### **Directions:**

Adults Only: Take precautions to make sure your child is safely out of reach while doing the next two steps.

Bring water to a boil.

Add the Epsom salt and stir to dissolve. Let cool.

Let your child use the Q-Tip or small paint brush to paint with the solution on the construction paper.

When it dries watch the crystal appear!



# Fruit & Marshmallow Snowflakes

#### **Ingredients:**

One Large Marshmallow

5 Rounded Toothpicks

Mini-Marshmallows

Fruits cut into bit size pieces (grapes, strawberries etc.)



#### Directions:

Put rounded toothpicks into the sides of the large marshmallow (like the spokes on a wheel.

Take the mini marshmallows and the fruit pieces and thread onto each toothpick ending with a mini-marshmallow.

Enjoy your marshmallow snowflake!

# Frosty Juice

From: <a href="http://www.perpetualpreschool.com/preschool\_themes/ice/ice\_snacks.htm">http://www.perpetualpreschool.com/preschool\_themes/ice/ice\_snacks.htm</a>

#### **Ingredients:**

Gallon Ziplock Bag

Pint Size Ziplock Bag

Ice Cream Salt

½ C. 100% Fruit Juice

Crushed Ice



#### **Directions**:

Place Crushed Ice and Ice Cream Salt in gallon-size Ziplock bag.

Put juice in pint-size Ziplock bag and seal.

Put the bag with juice inside the bag with ice and salt and seal.

Let your child shake the bag, until the juice freezes and becomes a frosty!

## Blizzards

## Ingredients:

- 2 Cups Vanilla Ice Cream
- 1 Cup Milk

## **Directions**:

Place milk and ice cream in a blender.

Blend until smooth.

Enjoy your "Blizzard."



# Pretty Snowflakes

Tune: "London Bridges"

By Jean Warren

Pretty snowflakes falling down, Falling down, falling down.

Pretty snowflakes falling down

All through the town.

Pretty snowflakes, on the street,
On the grass, on my feet.
Pretty snowflakes falling down
All through the town.



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## IT IS SNOWING

Tune: "Frere Jacques"

By Jean Warren

It is snowing, it is snowing, Falling down, falling down. Winter winds are blowing, Drifts are slowing growing, All around, all around.



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