

Story Time Kit #4: WINTER

Books:

- *Grandmother Winter* by Phyllis Root (Ages 4 and up)
- *A Winter Day* by Douglas Florian (Ages 2 and up)
- *Owl Moon* by Jane Yolen (Ages 4 and up)
- *Winter Lullaby* by Barbara Seuling (Ages 3-5)
- *The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats (Ages 3-6)
- *Winter* by Ailie Busby (Ages 2-3)

Activities:

- Rhyme: 5 Little Snowflakes
- Song: Snow Pokey
- Rhyme: Hey, Mr. Snowman
 - To be used with felt snowman pieces
- Craft: Build a Snowman
- Craft: Snowflake Lacing Craft
- Snowman Stuffed Animal

Additional book suggestions:

- *Cold Snap* by Eileen Spinelli
- *Snow Day* by Lynn Plourde
- *The Mitten* by Jan Brett
- *Snow* by Uri Shulevitz
- *Frozen Noses* by Jan Carr
- *The Missing Mitten Mystery* by Steven Kellogg

5 Little Snowflakes

**One little snowflake with nothing to do.
Along came another and
Then there were two.**

**Two little snowflakes laughing with me.
Along came another, and
Then there were three.**

**Three little snowflakes looking for some more.
Along came another, and
Then there were four.**

**Four little snowflakes dancing a jive.
Along came another, and
Then there were five.**

**Five little snowflakes having so much fun.
Out came the sun, and
Then there were none!**

Snowy Pokey

You put your right mitten in,
You take your right mitten out,
You put your right mitten in and you shake it all about.
You do the Snowy pokey and you turn yourself around.
That's what it's all about.

Continue with additional verses:

You put your left mitten in
You put your scarf in
You put your right boot in
You put your left boot in
You put your hat in
You put your snowself in

Hey, Mr. Snowman!

I went walking through a winter wonderland
and spied a frosty snowman who needed a hand.

Hey, Mr. Snowman, what do you need?
"I need **BLACK EYES**. Put them on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, what do you see?
"I see an **ORANGE CARROT**. Put it on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see a **RED HAT**. Put it on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see some **BROWN STICKS**. Put them on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see a **GREEN SCARF**. Put it on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see some **YELLOW MITTENS**. Put them on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see some **BLACK BUTTONS**. Put them on me."

Hey, Mr. Snowman, now what do you see?
"I see the coolest snowman ever. Me!"

Paper Plate Snowman



Materials:

- Small paper plate
- Large paper plate
- Sheet of black card
- Scraps of orange, brown and colored card
- Round black stickers (or use white and color with a felt pen)
- Glue

Instructions:

- Glue the two plates together to make your basic snowman. Use the round stickers as pebbles for the eyes, mouth and buttons.
- From the scraps of card cut two twig arms, a carrot nose and a scarf. Glue these to your snowman. Add a black hat and hang your snowman on the wall for all to enjoy.

Snowflake Lacing Craft



Materials:

- wool or ribbon,
- single hole punch,
- scissors,
- pencil,
- card stock, poster board or construction paper

Instructions:

- ADULT: Trace template onto a thick piece of cardboard (cardboard backs from paper pads or old boxes work well).
- ADULT: Cut out this template.
- Alternate Option: Allow the children to trace the template onto a piece of card stock, poster board, or construction paper and cut it out
- Allow the children to make holes around their shape (about an inch or two apart) OR have an adult do this prior to craft time.
- Provide the children with a length of wool or ribbon.
 - You can wrap some scotch tape around the end of the wool to make it more like a shoe lace.
 - Have the child thread the wool through the holes.
- Practice tying knots and/or bows to tie off in the center.
- Let the children use glitter to further decorate their completed project.

