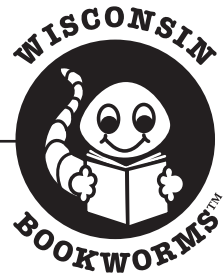


Activity Sheet



"The Snowy Day"

by Ezra Jack Keats

This classic children's book celebrates the excitement of a snowfall through the eyes of Peter. How many ways can he think of to enjoy the wonderful surprise of a snowy day?

Before you read this book: Talk about weather. What kinds of weather do we expect in summer, fall, winter, spring? What type of clothing do we wear in different kinds of weather? What is their favorite type of weather?

While you read this book: Look carefully at the different patterns in the snow — toes inward, toes outward, tracks with a stick, tracks without a stick.

After you read this book: Using a sensory table (or large, shallow plastic storage container) filled with 1 to 2 inches of snow, make your own "tracks" with different items. Plastic cars, sticks, cans, etc. all can be used to create!

At home ideas: Try the snowball experiment! Make a snowball and place it in a bowl overnight. In the morning, check on your snowball. What happened? Why? What happens if you try it again and put the bowl in the freezer?

Read more great books about winter:

"It's Winter" by Susan Swan

"Animals in Winter" by Henrietta Bancroft

"One Winter's Day" by M. Christina Butler

Other books by Ezra Keats:

"A Letter to Amy"

"Peter's Chair"

"Goggles"

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