

Winter Fun!



Toddlers are naturally curious about the world around them, wanting to touch, play with and ask questions about everything they see. Here is how you can take this curiosity and turn every day fun into a learning experience. Remember to talk with the children while doing things together. The children will hear new words and understand how language works.

Try these winter related activities!

Outdoors	Skills
Create designs in the snow. Use food colouring or tempera paint mixed with water. Put the mixture in a spray bottle and have fun! Talk about the designs and the colours you are using.	Hand-eye coordination, strengthening hand grasp, colour recognition, creativity
Measure and observe snow by marking lines on a coffee can and set it outside	Measurement, number sense, observation
Go for an adventure walk and look for animal tracks in the snow. Let the child lead.	Observation, walking
Build a snowman while talking about the size, shape, colour of the snowballs. Let the child decide how to decorate the face.	Shapes, size, gross- motor and fine-motor skills
Indoors	Skills
Mitten sort or match by size, colour, design etc. Be descriptive!	Sorting, shape discrimination
Watch ice or snow melt, touch it and write down or talk about observations. Be very descriptive! (icy, slush, water etc)	Observation, problem- solving,
Make a winter collage by cutting and gluing pictures related to winter fun.	Cutting and pasting

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