

Winter Kids

MAINE PRESCHOOL  
Edition

# GUIDE TO OUTDOOR ACTIVE LEARNING

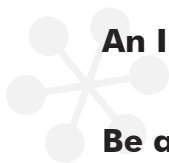
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We make winter FUN!

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# Be a WinterKid! Weekly Plan Chart - Week 1

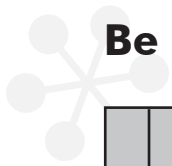
	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>STORY</b>	<i>Minerva Louise</i> by J. Stokes	<i>The Mitten</i> by J. Brett	<i>One Winter's Day</i> by M. Christina Butler	<i>Snow Day</i> by L. Plourde	<i>Snow Day</i> by D. Peddle
<b>Art</b>	Mitten Prints			Drawing a Winter Scene	
<b>Sensory Table</b>	Exploring Snow			Making Mini Snowmen	
<b>Dramatic Play</b>	Winter Clothing & Sleds		Mitten Match		
<b>Writing Center</b>		Story Dictations: "Sense the Winter" Hike		Winter Scene Story Dictation	
<b>Blocks</b>	Snowy Scenes		Scenes from <i>The Mitten</i>		
<b>Manipulatives</b>			Snowy Play-Doh		
<b>Math &amp; Science</b>		Measure Me		Measure Winter Items	Introduction to a Thermometer
<b>Classroom Library</b>	<i>The Jacket I Wear in the Snow</i> by S. Neitzel <i>It's Snowing, It's Snowing!</i> by J. Prelutsky	<i>Snow</i> by U. Shulevitz <i>Snow is Falling</i> by F. Branley <i>The Hat</i> by J. Brett	<i>A Winter Day</i> by D. Florian <i>Snow Music</i> by L. Perkins <i>Snow Sounds: An Onomatopoeic Story</i> by D. Johnson	<i>Snowballs</i> by L. Ehler <i>The Snowman</i> by R. Briggs	<i>Winter Waits</i> by Lynn Plourde <i>January Rides the Wind</i> by C. Otten
<b>Outside/Gross Motor</b>	Winter Sensory Hike	Retell <i>The Mitten</i> on the Playground	Seasonal Sort Game	Making Snow People	Sledding Build Snow Ramp

# Be a WinterKid! MELDS Week 1 Chart

Be a WinterKid! Activities - Week 1	Maine's Early Learning and Development Standards © 2015									
	Social & Emotional Development	Approaches to Learning	Creative Arts	Early Language & Literacy	Physical Development & Health	Math	Science	Social Studies		
Mitten Prints			X							
Drawing a Winter Scene		X	X		X					
Exploring Snow						X	X			
Making Mini Snowmen		X								
Mini Sleds			X				X			
Mitten Match						X				
"Winter Scene" Story Dictation				X				X		
Snowy Scenes		X						X		
Scenes from <i>The Mitten</i>	X			X						
Snowy Play-Doh							X			
Measure Me!						X				
Measuring Winter Items						X				
Introduction: Thermometer							X			
Winter Sensory Hike					X		X			
Retell <i>The Mitten</i> (outside)				X	X					
Sledding & Snow Ramp	X				X		X			
Seasonal Sort Game					X		X			
Making Snow People		X					X			
Transitions: Getting Dressed to Go Outside					X	X				

# Be a WinterKid! Weekly Plan Chart - Week 2

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>STORY</b>	<i>Katy and the Big Snow</i> by V.L. Burton	<i>Snow</i> by C. Rylant and L. Stringer	<i>OH!</i> by Kevin Henkes	<i>Snow Day</i> by Betsy Maestro	<i>Toby &amp; the Snowflakes</i> by J. Halpern
<b>Art</b>	Ice Cube Painting		Puffy Snowmen		
<b>Sensory Table</b>		Salt/Snow Plow Trucks		Ice Block Experiment	
<b>Dramatic Play</b>	Clothing Store				
<b>Writing Center</b>	Weather Station				
<b>Blocks</b>	Winter Challenge				
<b>Manipulatives</b>		Salt Trays		Shaving Cream	
<b>Math &amp; Science</b>	Weather Station Outside		Melting Snow	<i>Making Icy Sun Catchers</i>	
<b>Classroom Library</b>	<i>The Best Book of Weather</i> by S. Adams <i>Weather Words and What They Mean</i> by G. Gibbons	<i>I Drive a Snowplow (Working Wheels)</i> by S. Bridges & D. Shea <i>Snowplows (Mighty Machines)</i> by T. DeGezelle	<i>The Snow Globe Family</i> by J. O'Connor and S.D. Schindler	<i>The Story of Snow</i> by M. Cassino & J. Nelson	<i>The Secret Life of a Snowflake</i> by K. Libbrecht <i>Snowflake Bentley</i> by J. Martin
<b>Outside/Gross Motor</b>	Snow Ball Balance	Snow Molds	<i>OH!</i> by Kevin Henkes can be acted out on the playground as well or spray paint snow	Treasure Hunt Hike	Snowball Target Shoot Optional: Observing Snowflakes



# Be a WinterKid! MELDS Week 2 Chart

Be a WinterKid! Activities - Week 2	Maine Early Learning and Development Standards © 2015								
	Social & Emotional Development	Approaches to Learning	Creative Arts	Early Language & Literacy	Physical Development & Health	Math	Science	Social Studies	
Ice Cube Painting			X				X		
Puffy Snowmen			X						
Salt & Snowplows								X	
Ice Blocks							X		
Shaving Cream Writing					X				
Salt Trays					X				
Setting Up Weather Station							X	X	
Clothing Store	X					X		X	
Winter Challenge		X					X		
Weather Station Scenes						X			
Melting Snow					X		X		
Icy Sun Catchers							X		
Snowball Balance	X				X	X	X		
Snow Molds					X				
Treasure Hunt Walk					X				
Snowball Target Shoot					X				
Retelling OH!				X					
Observing Snowflakes		X					X		

# Animals in Winter: Hibernation

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>STORY</b>	<b>Over and Under the Snow</b> by K. Messner	<b>Chipmunk Song</b> by J. Ryder	<b>NO</b> by C. Rueda	<b>Big Snow</b> by B. Hadar	<b>Let's Go Home Little Bear</b> by M. Waddell
<b>Art</b>	Create a Critter		Clay Hibernaculas Day 1	Clay Hibernaculas Day 2	Hibernation Mobile
<b>Sensory Table</b>		Animal Habitats		Winter Animal Habitats	
<b>Dramatic Play</b>		Hibernation Play			
<b>Writing Center</b>		Building Caves/Dens	Invitations to a Hibernation Party	Story Dictation: Hibernating Animals/Hibernacula	Stuffed Animal Nametags
<b>Blocks</b>		Hibernation Memory			HIBERNATION PARTY
<b>Manipulatives</b>		Bears in a Cave		Sorting Animals That Do & Do Not Hibernates	Create a Hibernation Snack
<b>Math &amp; Science</b>	Science Discussion: Animal Homes			Blubber Mittens	Measure & Weigh Bears/Stuffed Animals
<b>Classroom Library</b>	<i>The Animals' Winter Sleep</i> by L. Graham-Barber	<i>Hibernation</i> by R. Nelson <i>Hibernation</i> by M. Hall	<i>A Bed for Winter</i> by K. Wallace	<i>Encyclopedia of Animals</i> by DK Publishers	<i>Hibernation Station</i> by M. Meadows
<b>Outside/Gross Motor</b>	Food Search	Act Out <b>Chipmunk Song</b> on Playground	Outside Critter Hunt	Everyone <b>Run to the Bear!</b>	

