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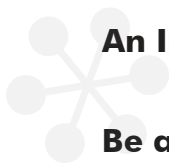
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EXPLORE!
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We make winter FUN!

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An Introduction to WinterKids

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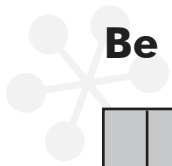
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Be a WinterKid! Weekly Plan Chart - Week 1

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
STORY	<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
Art	Mitten Prints			Drawing a Winter Scene	
Sensory Table	Exploring Snow			Making Mini Snowmen	
Dramatic Play	Winter Clothing & Sleds		Mitten Match		
Writing Center		Story Dictations: "Sense the Winter" Hike		Winter Scene Story Dictation	
Blocks	Snowy Scenes		Scenes from <i>The Mitten</i>		
Manipulatives			Snowy Play-Doh		
Math & Science		Measure Me		Measure Winter Items	Introduction to a Thermometer
Classroom Library	<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 Snow Sounds: An Onomatopoeic Story 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
Outside/Gross Motor	Winter Sensory Hike	Retell <i>The Mitten</i> on the Playground	Seasonal Sort Game	Making Snow People	Sledding Build Snow Ramp

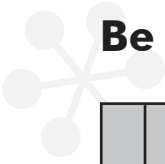


Be a WinterKid! MELDS Week 1 Chart

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
STORY	<i>Katy and the Big Snow</i> by V.L. Burton	Snow by C. Rylant and L. Stringer	<i>OH!</i> by Kevin Henkes	Snow Day by Betsy Maestro	<i>Toby & the Snowflakes</i> by J. Halpern
Art	Ice Cube Painting		Puffy Snowmen		
Sensory Table		Salt/Snow Plow Trucks		Ice Block Experiment	
Dramatic Play	Clothing Store				
Writing Center	Weather Station				
Blocks	Winter Challenge				
Manipulatives		Salt Trays		Shaving Cream	
Math & Science	Weather Station Outside		Melting Snow	<i>Making Icy Sun Catchers</i>	
Classroom Library	<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
Outside/Gross Motor	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		
Icy Sun Catchers								X		
Snowball Balance	X							X		
Snow Molds										
Treasure Hunt Walk								X		
Snowball Target Shoot								X		
Retelling OH!							X			
Observing Snowflakes		X							X	

Animals in Winter: Hibernation

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

