

INFANT

Week

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Smart Activities



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Snowball Throw

Materials: white paper

Preparation: Squeeze the paper in a ball.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to throw the paper snowball?"
2. Encourage your baby to throw the paper snowball. Assist and modify as needed.
3. Repeat as your baby acts on an object to make it move.



Snow Snow

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/cu3SOLgxN8>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy this snow song as your baby responds to music.
2. Repeat as interest remains.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



Winter Collage

Materials: magazines, paper, scissors, glue

Preparation: Cut out items you see in the winter.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to make a winter collage."
2. Assist your baby with gluing the pictures on the paper.
3. Encourage and praise all response as your baby completes an art activity.



Sign Language "Mom"

Instructions:

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Snow Globe

Materials: snow globe

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "This is a snow globe."
2. Shake the snow globe and talk about what happens when the artificial snow settles.
3. Repeat as your baby use his/her senses to observe the snow globe.



Shake Out

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/DiYUDiwyGvI>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy the many snow globes in the video.
2. Talk with your baby about the view inside the snow globes.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



Cold Like Winter

Materials: small cloth

Preparation: Place cloth in the freezer until it gets cold.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to feel something cold."
2. Assist your baby with touching the cold cloth for just 1-2 seconds at a time.
3. Encourage and praise all responses as your baby reacts to the cold cloth.



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Big and Small

Materials: white paper

Preparation: Make big and small paper snowballs.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "Look at the big and small paper snowballs"
2. Encourage your baby to play with the snowballs. Talk about the different sizes. Modify and assist as needed.
3. Repeat as your baby plays with the various size snowballs.



Snow

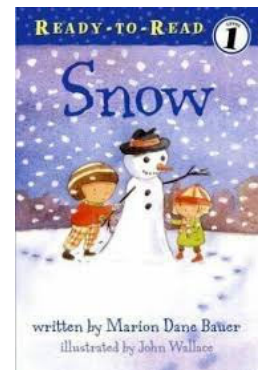
Materials: internet access, website:

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Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy the read aloud book, *Snow* by Marion Dane Bauer.
2. Encourage and praise all responses as your baby shows interest in the book.



Cold Play

Materials: shallow dish, cool water

Preparation: Pour a small amount of water in the shallow dish.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to feel cold water."
2. As your baby engages in play, talk about how winter weather is cold too.
3. Encourage and praise all response as your baby use his/her senses to explore the water.



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Cotton Ball Fun

Materials: large cotton balls, cardboard tube

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to put the cotton balls in the tube and see what happens"
2. Encourage your baby to help with putting the cotton balls in the tube.
3. Watch his/her reactions as it comes through the other side. Talk about the process.
4. Encourage and praise all responses.



Snow Day!

Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/53EO2dMjNS0>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy the read aloud book, *Snow Day* by Candice Ransom. Talk about details of the story.
2. Encourage and praise all responses.



Snowball Socks

Materials: whites socks

Preparation: Pair the socks to make a ball.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to pretend these are snowballs."
2. Encourage your baby to roll the socks across the floor.
3. Encourage and praise all efforts as your baby develops grasp.



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Story Time

Materials: favorite book

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to read a book."
2. As you read the book, point to the pictures and talk about the details.
3. Encourage your baby to touch the pages.
4. Praise all efforts as your baby explores the book.



Winter Fun

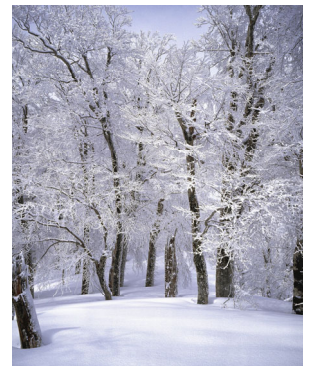
Materials: internet access, website:

<https://youtu.be/eEjXCUI36ls>

Preparation: Preview video.

Instructions:

1. Enjoy this song about winter as your baby responds to music.
2. Repeat as interest remains.
3. Encourage and praise all responses.



Goop Fun

Materials: corn starch, container, water

Preparation: Add one-part water to two parts cornstarch.

Instructions:

1. Hold your baby and say, "We are going to play with goop."
2. Assist your baby with playing in this sensory activity. Modify as needed.
3. Encourage and praise all responses as your baby engages with the goop.



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