

Seasonal Resources for the Primary Classroom



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Winter Jokes

- What do snowmen call their kids? *Chill-dren.*
- What did the icy road say to the car? *"Want to go for a spin?"*
- What does a gingerbread man put on his bed? *A cookie sheet!*
- Why did the girl keep her trumpet out in the snow? *She liked playing cool jazz.*
- How do mountains stay warm? *They put on their snowcaps.*
- What do you call it when a snowman throws a temper tantrum? *A meltdown.*
- What is a snowman's favorite snack? *Ice krispie treats.*
- Where do snowmen put their money? *Snowbanks.*
- What's the difference between a Christmas alphabet and the regular alphabet? *The Christmas alphabet has Noel.*
- What is the best breakfast cereal to eat in the winter? *Frosted Flakes!*
- Where do snowmen love to dance? *At a snow ball.*
- What's a snowman's favorite drink? *Iced tea.*
- What did Jack Frost say to Frosty the Snowman? *"Have an ice day!"*
- What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire? *Frostbite.*
- What did one snowman say to the other snowman? *Do you smell carrots?*
- What do you call a snowman on Rollerblades? *A snowmobile.*
- What did the guard say when he saw the snowman stealing? *Freeze!*



Winter Riddles

What does December have that no other month does? *The letter D.*

What do you call a snowman with a six-pack? *An abdominal snowman.*

How do you know it's too cold for a picnic? *When you chip your tooth on the soup!*

What do you call a penguin with no eye? *Penguin.*

What do you call a snowman in the summer? *A puddle.*

What falls in the winter but never gets hurt? *Snow.*

What goes 'oh, oh, oh'? *Santa walking backwards.*



What could it be?

- When it's cold in winter, this is something you love, it's like tiny white stars, falling from above. *Answer: Snow*
- When it's deep in winter, you will find it pleasing, to have these on your hands, so that they're not freezing. *Answer: Gloves*
- It's cold and icy where we live, so we have to huddle in tight; We have wings but we cannot fly, even if we really try! *Answer: Penguins*
- To have fun in the winter, head to a mountainside; Strap these on to both your feet, and downhill you shall glide. *Answer: Skis*
- I'm sometimes made of fur, or sometimes made of leather. I am what you might wear when outside in cold weather. *Answer: Coat*
- When it starts to get chilly, this item is what's chosen. You wrap it around your neck so that it won't feel frozen! *Answer: Scarf*
- With enough winter flakes, two or three spheres is your goal, then you can make this friend, with a scarf, carrot and coal. *Answer: Snowman*
- I have branches, and I'm green. In December, I am seen. *Answer: Christmas Tree*
- A fiery shrub around Christmas time you see, it looks like a flowers but it is just leaves that are on a small tree. *Answer: Poinsettia*
- I am made of plastic or metal, I am used for play or for work. I am mostly out in the winter months. *Answer: A shovel*
- What does December, January and February have in common? *Answer: The letter R*
- You can only do this every for four years over snow or ice, people do their very best to claim their prize. *Answer: Winter Olympic Games*
- As soon as it snows, I'm taken to the hills, sure to give children plenty of thrills. *Answer: Sleigh*



Winter Writing Ideas

- Procedural writing:
 - How to build a snowman
 - How to make hot chocolate
 - How to make a bird feeder
- Persuasive Writing:
 - Sell me a scarf / hat / coat
 - School should close when it snows
 - Schools should open later on Winter mornings
- Expository Writing:
 - Should penguins be kept in the Zoo?
 - Global Warming: The Ice is Melting
 - Sand is more important than snow

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"Mush!" I called through my scarf! "Faster, team! Faster!" The Huskies trudged through the deep snow and my sleigh bumped along behind. The only thing to be heard was the rustle of their harnesses and the crunch of snow under their furry paws.

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"This is the life!" The little snowman stretched out his snowy arms and leaned back comfortably in his cosy deck chair. He was just about to close his eyes and take a much-needed nap when suddenly he heard an unusual sound. "What on earth could that be?" he grumbled.

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"What do you mean I won't ever be able to fly?" whimpered the little penguin.

"I'm sorry darling, but although penguins are birds, we are flightless. We weren't born to fly, we were born to swim!" explained the little penguin's father kindly. The little penguin said nothing for a little while, he just thought. After a few minutes, he had made up his mind and announced: "I'm going to learn to fly, just you wait and see, Dad!"

The Perfect Snowy Day

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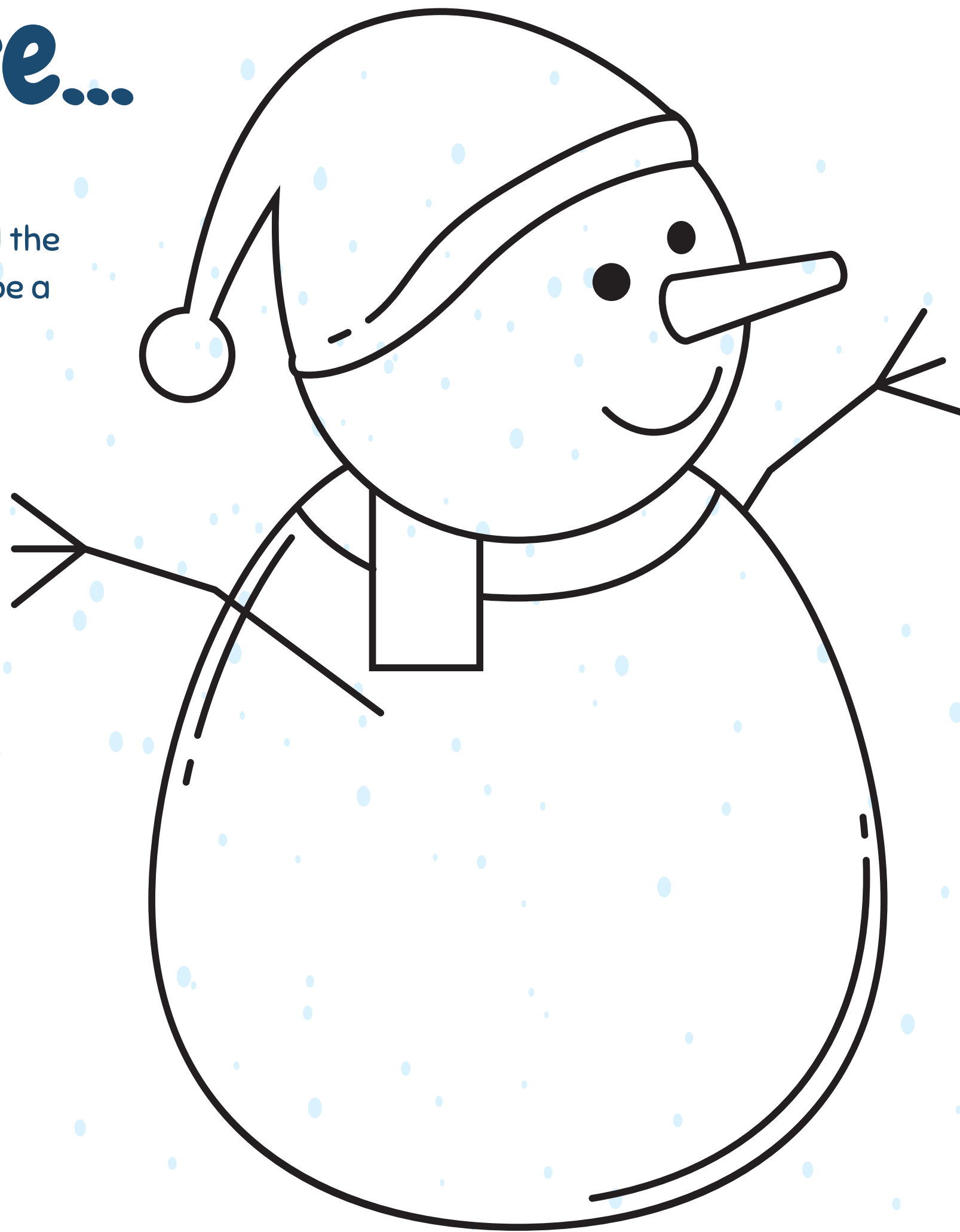
Chilly Word Jar

Fill the jar with all the words you could
use instead of the word 'cold'



Snowmen are...

Fill the snowman's body with all the words you would use to describe a snowman.



Follow the instructions and compose a Winter Poem



- Winter is ... (a sound)
- Winter is ... (a smell)
- Winter is... (a place)
- Winter is ... (a food)
- Winter is ... (an item of clothing)
- Winter is ... (an animal)
- Winter is ... (a feeling)
- Winter is ... (a type of weather)
- Winter is ... (a verb)
- Winter is ... (an adjective)



Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening
by Robert Frost

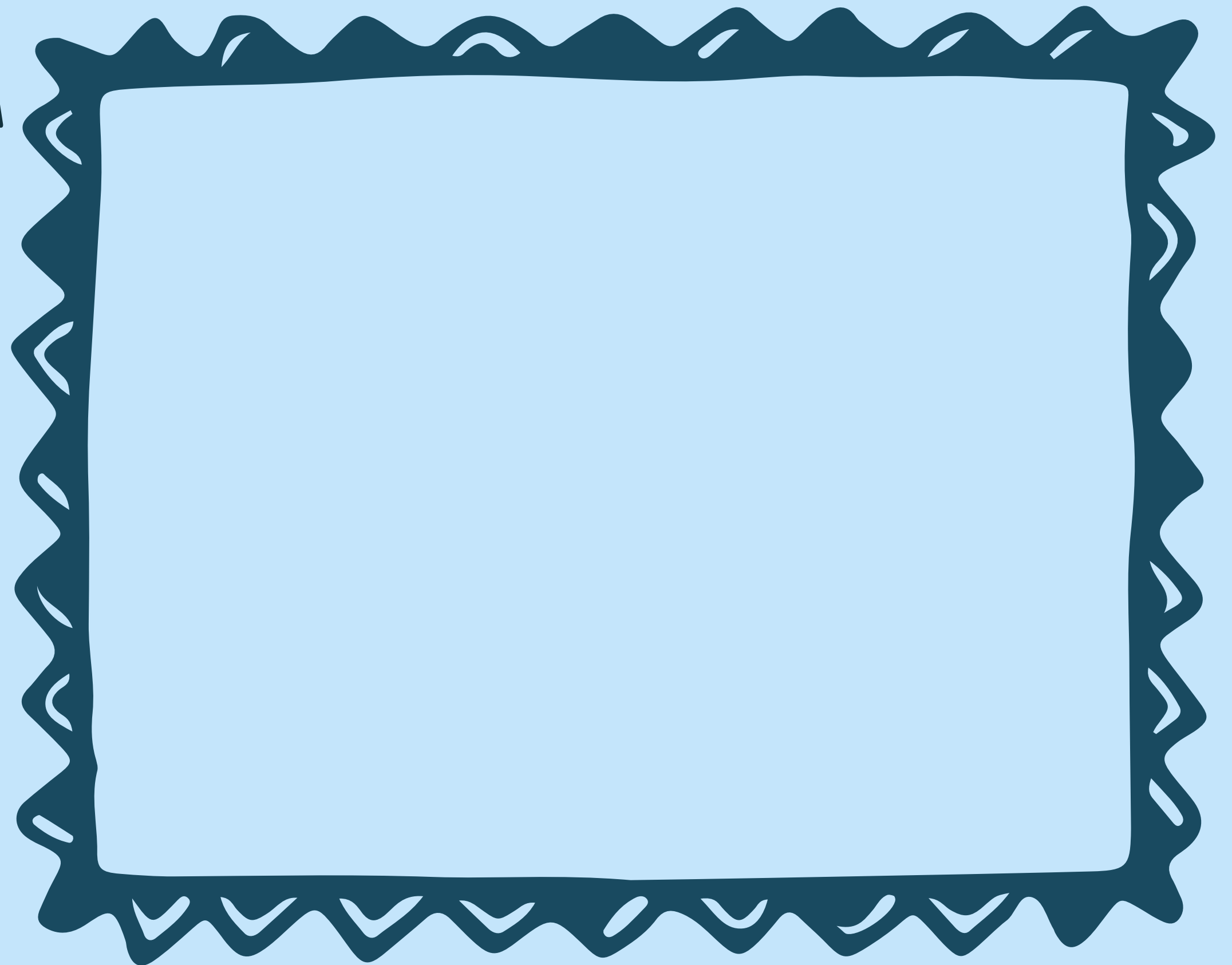
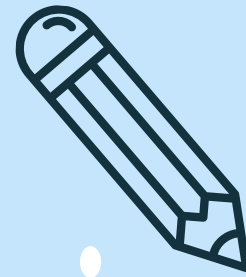
Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.

He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep

What do you visualise as you read this poem?



Snowball
by Shel Silverstein

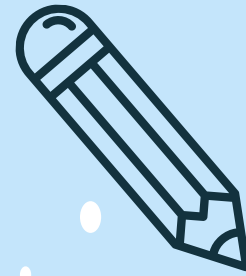
“I made myself a snowball,
as perfect as could be.

I thought I’d keep it as a pet,
and let it sleep with me.

I made it some pyjamas,
And a pillow for its head.

Then last night, it ran away.
But first, it wet the bed.”

What do you visualise as you read this poem?



Snowy Senses

On a snowy day...

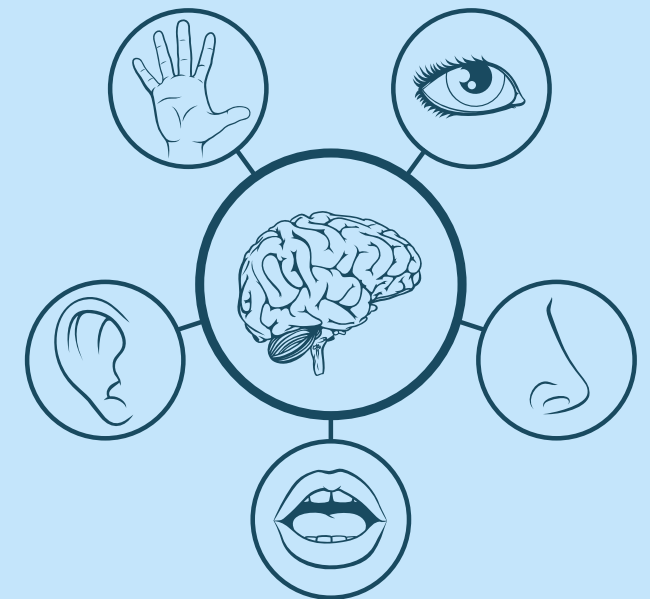
I feel...

I smell..

I touch..

I hear..

I taste..



My Winter Favourites



Movie

Blank circle for writing a movie favorite.



Food

Blank circle for writing a food favorite.



Clothes

Blank circle for writing a clothes favorite.



Song

Blank circle for writing a song favorite.



Place

Blank circle for writing a place favorite.



Story

Blank circle for writing a story favorite.



Month

Blank circle for writing a month favorite.



Activity

Blank circle for writing an activity favorite.