THE SNOWY DAY

AND OTHER STORIES



DECEMBER 1-3, 2019

TRACKS IN THE SNOW

While Peter played in the snow, he came across some tracks. Who or what made the tracks below? Draw a line to connect them.









Clouds are filled with specks of dust. Draw specks of dust inside the clouds.

Water droplets form around dust specks and freeze into balls of ice. Draw the water droplets.

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The balls of ice and become a hexagon-shaped ice crystal. Draw a hexagon around the ice balls.



Branches
begin to
grow out
of the snow
crystal's six
corners.
Draw the
rest of the
branches.



Branches grow smaller branches of their own. Draw the rest of the branches to make it symmetrical.



Snow crystals stick together forming a snowflake, then become heavier and fall to earth. Draw a snow storm!

With an adult, follow this simple no-bake recipe to create your own snow play dough!

Supplies: **Ingredients:** 2 cups corn starch

spoon 1 ½ cup unscented white hand lotion

2-3 drops peppermint extract cookie cutters

Directions:

large bowl

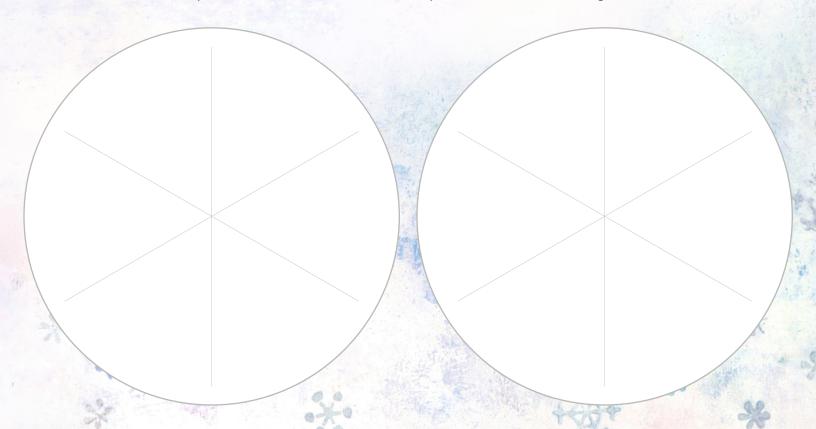
1. In the large bowl, mix the corn starch, lotion and peppermint oil with a spoon. As you stir, the mixture will start to form into what looks like a snowball.

2. Sprinkle a flat surface with corn starch. Knead the dough until it is a firm snowball that is not mushy or sticky. That's it! Make a snowman or use your cookie cutters to create shapes!



DESIGN YOUR OWN SNOWFLAKES

If you looked at a snowflake under a microscope it would have six spokes and would be symmetrical (meaning the left side would match the right side). Each snowflake is unique and you'll never find two that match! Draw your own snowflakes that are symmetrical in the templates below.



DACHSHUND POP QUIZ

Peter's dog, Willie, is a dachshund (pronounced daak snd). You might know these dogs by their nickname, the wiener dog. Here's a short true/false quiz to test your dachshund knowledge. Check your answers upside-down below.

FALSE TRUE 1. The first Olympic mascot was a dachshund.

TRUE FALSE 2. The hot dog was named after the dog.

FALSE TRUE 3. Dachshunds are lazy.

FALSE TRUE 4. They come in two sizes.

TRUE FALSE 5. They are the most popular type of dog in the USA.



HIDDEN IN THE WALL



Willie hidden in the wall: 6 Peter hidden in the wall: 8

O. False, They are a popular type of dog, but the most popular dog in the USA is the Labrador retriever.

4. True. There are two different breeds – standard and miniature.

3. False. They were originally bred 300 years ago to hunt badgers – they are very energetic.

2. True. Hot dogs were first known as "dachshund sausages" but shortened because dachshund was hard to spell.

1. True. Its name was Waldi and it appeared in the 1972 Munich Olympics.

WHISTLE THAT TUNE

Here is a game you can play with your friends or family: take turns whistling popular songs and have your partner or team guess the song. Haven't learned how to whistle yet? That's ok! You can hum the tunes instead.



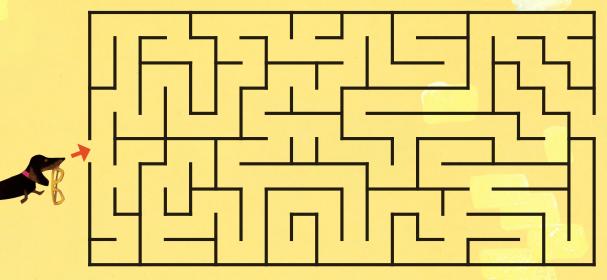
DESIGN YOUR OWN HIDEOUT

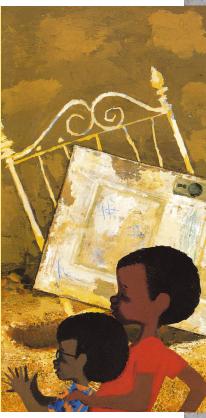
Peter and Archie have a secret hideout on an abandoned lot near their apartment building. There are pipes and old furniture with plenty of places to hide. What would you put in your secret hideout? Draw it here!

WILLIE IN A MAZE

Willie captured the goggles, but he needs to escape the older boys!

Help Willie get through the maze to the hideout with Peter and Archie.





HOW DO YOU DEAL WITH A BULLY?

Peter, Archie, and Willie outsmart the older	Bullying doesn't affect just those who are
boys and hide in their secret hideout.	bullied, but everyone around them too. If you
Have you ever had an experience with a bully?	see someone being bullied, tell a grown-up, and start a campaign against bullying at your school. What else can you do stop bullying?
What did you do?	
	Learn more: pacerkidsagainstbullying.org

COUNTING BIRTHDAY CANDLES

Oh no! There was a mix-up with the birthday candles! Draw the correct amount of candles on each cake below to add up to what birthday each person is celebrating.







8 YEARS OLD



10 YEARS OLD



12 YEARS OLD









A LETTER TO PETER

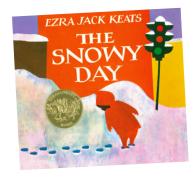
It's Peter's birthday, and he's looking forward to receiving a letter from you! In the letter, tell him about your year and what you like about each season.



Today's Date:
Dear Peter,
Happy birthday! I've had a year, and I want to tell you about it.
Every winter I like to When it's cold out, I eat
The spring weather where I live in this year was When summer arrived, I did some fun things like and
In the fall, when we go back to school, my favorite subject to study is My favorite thing to do in the fall is My birthday is on This year, I turned years old. For my birthday, I wished for
Sincerely,

THE BOOKS THAT INSPIRED THE PLAY

The show you saw today is based on four books by Ezra Jack Keats. Ezra Jack Keats published many other books about Peter and his family, his pet dog, his friends, and community.



The Snowy Day (published in 1962)



Whistle for Willie (published in 1964)



Goggles! (published in 1969)



A Letter to Amy (published in 1968)



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Ezra Jack Keats was born in 1916 to Polish immigrants in New York City. He illustrated more than 85 books, and wrote 22 children's classics. Keats received many awards during his lifetime. *The Snowy Day* won the Caldecott Medal in 1963, the highest honor for illustrated children's books. *The Snowy Day* was notable for being one of the very first illustrated children's books to feature an African American child as the central character. Keats' commitment to diversity in his books is acknowledged by the Ezra Jack Keats Book Award, given annually to an outstanding new writer and new illustrator by the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation.

ABOUT THE PLAY

Today's show was created by Childsplay, out of Tempe, Arizona. Founded in 1977, Childsplay is a nationally and internationally respected professional theatre company whose chosen audience is children. The playwrights were inspired by the words and illustrations from the books and honor the stories by bringing them to life onstage! Learn more at www.childsplayaz.org.









THEATRE FOR FAMILIES





Magic Tree House: Showtime with Shakespeare

> Sun, Jan 12 2pm & 4:30pm

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> Sun, Mar 1 2pm & 4:30pm

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