



Winter Storytime

Sing “Big Snowflakes” (to the tune of “London Bridge”)

(wiggle your fingers down like falling snow)

Big snowflakes are falling down

Falling down, falling down

Big snowflakes are falling down

Now it's winter!

Sing “This Is The Way That We Get Dressed” (to the tune of “Here We Go Round the Mulberry Bush”)

(Get ready to go outside: put on your winter clothes! Act out each part of the song like you're putting on winter clothes.)

This is the way that we get dressed

We get dressed, we get dressed

This is the way that we get dressed

On a snowy day

This is the way we put on our gloves

Put on our gloves, put on our gloves

This is the way we put on our gloves

On a snowy day

(Repeat with hat, coat, and boots)

Chant “The Mitten Chant”

Here is a mitten *(hold up one hand)*

A warm, fuzzy one *(rub hands together)*

With a place for my fingers *(wiggle your fingers)*

And a place for my thumb *(wiggle your thumb)*

Here are two mittens *(hold up both hands)*

That fit just right *(clasp hands together)*

One for my left hand *(hold up left hand)*

And one for my right *(hold up right hand)*

These are our mittens *(hold up both hands)*

As soft as can be *(pet the tops of each hand)*

A warm pair for you *(point to participant)*

And a warm pair for me *(point to yourself)*

Read Lewis Cardinal's First Winter by Amy Crane Johnson

Sing “I’m A Little Snowman” (to the tune of “I’m a Little Teapot”)

I'm a little snowman, look at me *(make round body with arms)*

Here are my buttons, 1, 2, 3 *(count buttons on your chest)*

When the sun comes out, I cannot play

Watch me slowly melt away *(slowly melt body over towards the floor)*

Sing “Five Little Snowmen” (to the tune of “Five Little Ducks”)

5 little snowmen standing in a row

Each with a hat and a colorful bow

The sun came out and shone all day
And the red little snowman melted away!
(change the color each time, counting down by 1)

Read *Winter is the Warmest Season* by Lauren Stringer

Sing “Jingle Bells” *(especially fun if you have shakers or bells you can use at home!)*

Jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
In a one horse open sleigh, hey! *(repeat)*

End with “The Snow Song” by HiDino Kids

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