

Winter Wonderland



Read through the activities with your child. You can do all of the activities or choose the ones that they find the most interesting.

Activities

1. On a cold and frosty day, go on a walk and see if you can spot any of these things.



frost on the grass



trees with no leaves



frozen puddles



snowdrops



frost on windcreens



birds

What else did you spot?

2. Winter is one of the four seasons. Use the pictures to talk about what happens in winter.



snow



icicles



frost



trees with no
leaves



frozen puddles



hail



sleet



snowman

What is the weather like in winter?

What can you see in winter?

3. Put a small plastic toy in a silicone mould or yoghurt pot and fill with water. Freeze overnight. The next day, find ways to melt the ice and release the toy. You could try using salt or warm water.

What happened to the water when it went into the freezer?

What are the best ways of melting the ice?

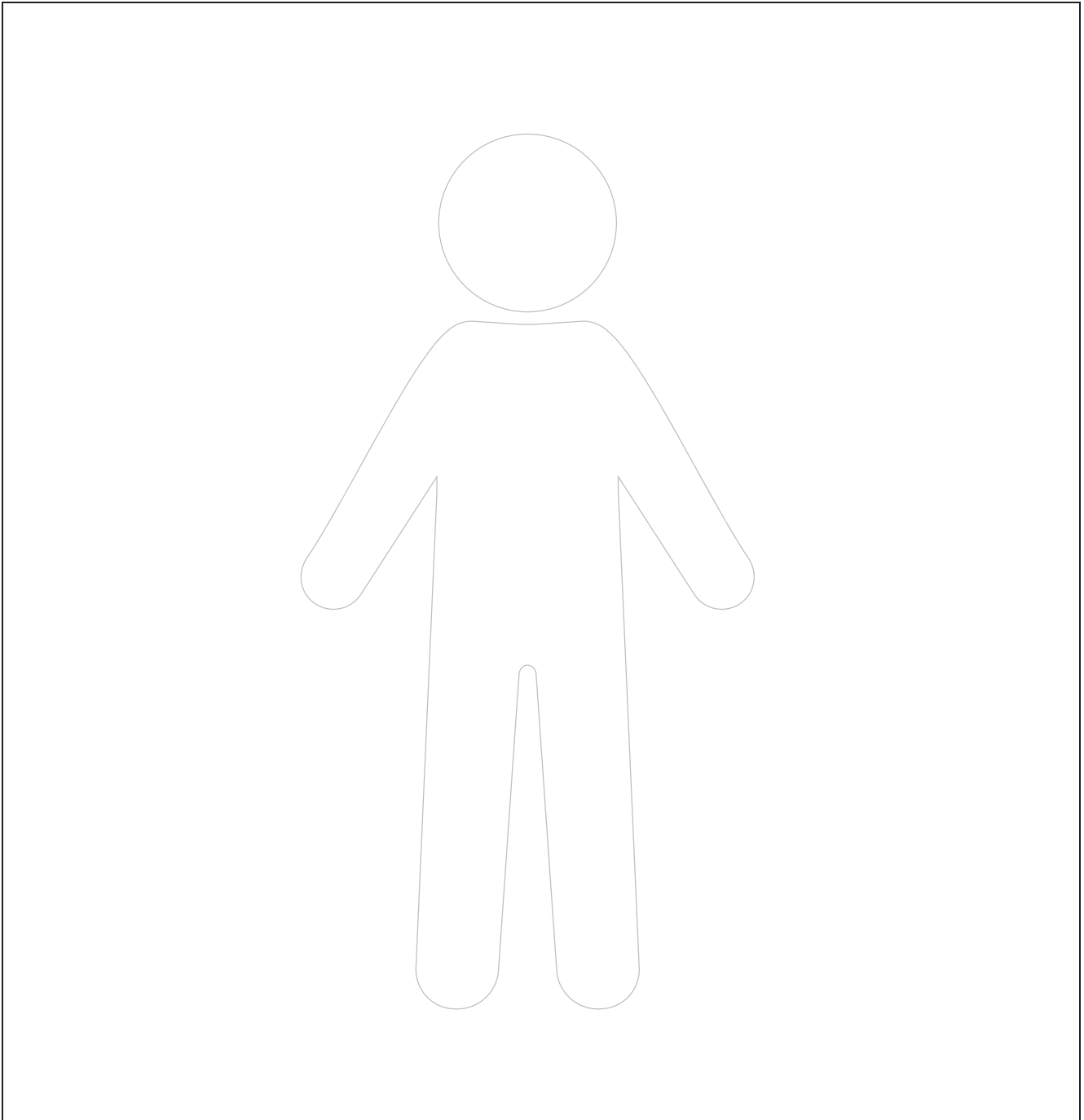
What happens to the ice as it melts?

4. When it snows there are lots of fun things to do. Draw a picture about things that you can do on a snowy day or add a photograph of you having fun in the snow.

Fun in the snow



5. When it is cold in winter you need to wear warm clothes. Draw a warm winter outfit on the person and add labels.



Useful words

- boots
- coat
- gloves
- hat
- jumper
- scarf

5. Some places are cold all year round. Animals that live in cold places have thick fur, feathers and blubber to keep them warm. Choose one of these animals and find some interesting facts to tell or write.



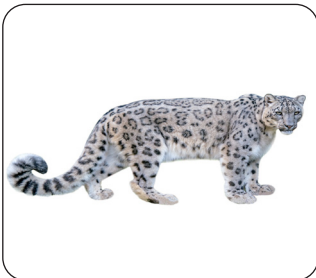
polar bear



Arctic fox



penguin



snow leopard



seal



walrus

Facts about _____

- 7.** In winter the ground is cold and hard. Birds need extra food. Make a bird food cake using the instructions on the RSPB website. Hang the cake outside and list the birds that visit.

Birds that visit

- 8.** Make snow dough by mixing 2 cups cornflour with $\frac{1}{3}$ cup vegetable oil or baby oil and add a sprinkling of glitter. Make a winter scene using the snow dough.
 - 9.** Snowflakes have six sides and no two snowflakes are the same. Make some paper snowflakes and see what different patterns you can make.
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10. Finish your home learning by explaining to an adult what you have learned about winter. Draw a picture that shows winter.

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Useful websites

CBeebies – Winter

RSPB – Make a speedy bird cake

Woodland Trust – Top 15 garden birds to look out for this winter

The Imagination Tree – Snow dough recipe

BBC Bitesize – What is snow?

Good reads

Title	Author	ISBN
The Gruffalo's Child	Julia Donaldson	9781509804764
Kipper's Snowy Day	Mick Inkpen	9781444924091
Snow is my Favourite and my Best (Charlie and Lola)	Lauren Child	9780141501888
Snow and Blizzards	Robyn Hardyman	9780750281447