

Playing At Home

SNOW PAINT

- Mix equal parts glue and shaving cream.
- Let the mixture stand for 2-3 minutes.
- Dip a paintbrush into the paint and brush over your paper. The “snow paint” will be fairly fluffy and will move in interesting ways across your paper.
- Allow your creation to dry for 1-2 hours. If you have any paint leftover, cover it in an airtight container to use later.
- Come back to take a peek and feel your picture. What does it feel like now?
- **Option:**
 - Collect sticks, greenery, berries, etc. to decorate your snow picture.

YOU WILL NEED:

- Equal parts white glue & shaving cream
- Paint brush
- Dark colored paper

SONG OF THE WEEK

SLIDE LITTLE PENGUIN

(Tune: Kookaburra)

Waddle, waddle up the hill of snow
Then slide down and watch him go.
Slide little penguin, slide little penguin
Slide to the sea below!

WHAT IS MY CHILD LEARNING?

- Providing safe ways to try something new, like painting with “snow” encourages children to use their senses, explore the world, and touch new materials.
- Creating designs and textures on paper and observing how the “snow paint” changes as it dries, demonstrates cause and effect.
- Participating in a multi-step project helps children grow in their ability to follow directions and stay with a task for longer periods of time.
- Engaging children in a conversation about their creative processes develops communication and critical thinking skills.
- **Cognitive Development:** Creating with snow paint helps your child to think symbolically and can lead to conversations about what they have experienced and the conclusions they can come up with from what they already know. *What does the ice and snow feel like? How do animals who live in very cold places keep warm? What do you need to do to keep warm when it's very cold outside? What do you like best about the snow?*

POWER OF PLAY MESSAGE

PLAY CONNECTS YOU & YOUR CHILD

- When you play with your child they feel valued.
- Playing together provides a view of the world through your child's eyes.



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