

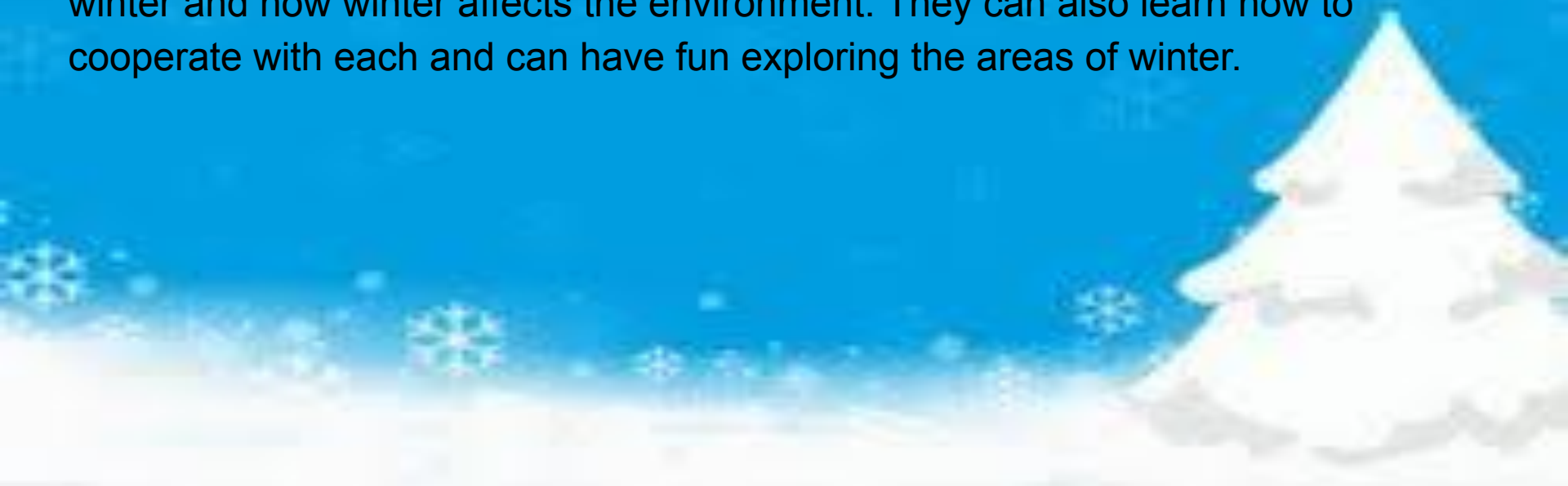


Winter

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Introduction

Winter is a time where many changes to the environment start to happen. The weather gets colder and holidays start to occur. Winter is a time where children find out about many wonders in the world. They can learn about many aspects of winter and how winter affects the environment. They can also learn how to cooperate with each and can have fun exploring the areas of winter.



Animals

- Movement Activity: Children will move like animals that live in winter climates.
- Art Activity: Children can create arts and crafts sculptures of animals that live in winter climates.
- Mark-Making Activity: Children will create small marks of winter animals.

*Book: Animals In Winter by Henrietta Bancroft
and Richard Van Gelder*



Holiday

- Holiday Cheer: Children will sing songs normally sung during the holidays (Jingle Bell, Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer)
- Collage: Children will create a diverse set of pictures of their favorite winter holiday.
- Read Aloud: Children will sit in a group and listen to the teacher read about a book related to the holidays.

*Book: How The Grinch Stole Christmas by
Dr. Seuss*



Sports

- Dramatic Play: Children will pretend to perform winter sports in the classroom (skiing, sledding, snowboarding)
- Legos: Children can use Lego blocks to create people performing winter sports.
- Art Activity: Children can use crayons or markers and draw themselves performing a winter sport.

Book: Tacky and the Winter Games by Helen Lester & Lynn Munslinger



Weather

- Just Dance::Children will perform dances related to winter weather (Penguin Dance, The Winter Hokey Pokey,and Snowflakes Song)
- Mark Making Activity: Children will use winter-like colors to create a painting that resembles winter.
- Hands-On: Students will get to go outside and get to observe and touch snow. They can also play and create objects out of it.

Book: The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats



Food

- Dramatic Play: Children will pretend to bake food typically eaten during the winter (gingerbread, hot chocolate, soup)
- Song: Children will sing a song and create mini dances that show their love for winter food.
- Food Collage: Children will create pictures of their favorite food they like to eat during the winter and place them together.

Book: Cold Day, Hot Chocolate by Andrea Almada

