



Outdoor Activities:

- **Snow Masterpieces-Unleash their Inner Van Gogh:** Fill up a few spray bottles with water and various shades of food coloring, then send the kids out to create their masterpieces in the snow.
- **Make Colorful Ice Balloons** Best for kids aged: 4 and up
What You'll Need: balloons; food coloring; water; scissors
Directions: Fill balloons with a drop of food coloring and water; tie shut and either pop in the freezer or leave outside overnight, if it's cold enough, to freeze. When they're frozen solid, use scissors to cut the latex balloon off of the frozen orb. Voila! Instant colorful ice sculptures.
- **Host the Winter Olympics-** *host your own version of the Winter Games, including snowball "archery" (pick a target and see whose arm is most accurate); a three-legged boot race through the snow; and snow "hurdles."*
Best for kids aged: 5 and up
What You'll Need: ribbons or medals; snow; and your imagination!
Directions: Select a few games to play, and divide kids into teams (or countries) as necessary. You can provide gold, silver and bronze medals if you want, or just congratulate the winners of each event. Afterwards, give everyone hot cocoa as a consolation prize.
- **Frozen Bubble Ball-** *Think blowing bubbles is only fun in the summer? Think again! Kids will be amazed at how long the bubbles last, and how strong they really are.*
Best for kids aged: 3 and up
What you'll need: Bottles of bubbles or soapy water; a bubble-blowing wand; a below-freezing day
Directions: Gather the bottle of bubbles, wand and head outside with the kids. Have them blow the bottles and watch as they firm up mid-flight and land without popping. Make sure to bring your camera to catch the action!





Indoor Activities:

- **Glacier Jump:** Toss a bunch of pillows on the floor. Each player must jump from "glacier" to "glacier" without falling in the "water". If she does, she's out. With each round, move the pillows farther apart until everyone is sunk.
- **Make a Snow Globe:** You'll need: a glass jar with a tight-fitting lid; a plastic figurine; waterproof glue; distilled water (you can also use boiled and cooled tap water); liquid glycerin (available at crafts stores); glitter. Let your child pick out the figure, then glue it inside the lid and let the glue dry. Fill the jar with water, a squirt of glycerin (it helps the glitter swirl), and the glitter. Screw on the lid tightly, then flip!
- **Pin the Clothes on the Snowman-**This frosty-themed activity transforms the classic fun of pinning the tale on the donkey. All you need is paper, tape and some kiddy creativity!
Best for kids aged: 3 and up
What You'll Need: Poster board; construction paper; blindfold; markers; kid-safe scissors; double-sided tape.
Directions: First, draw the outline of a snowman -- three circles that make up the body and head -- on the poster board. Tape poster board to a nearby wall. Next, hand your children the construction paper. Using the markers, have them draw various body parts and clothing, like eyes, hats, scarves, arms, mouths and a corn cob pipe. Then, using the kid-safe scissors, guide them in cutting out each item. Next, have the kids play the game, instructing them to place the shapes on the poster board as best they can with the blindfold on.

