



## **The Snowy Day**

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The main character in this classic winter story loved to make footprints in the snow. Your child might like to do the same thing with some of their play figurines of people and animals. If you don't have real snow to bring inside to play with, you can always make your own! Simply mix 3 cups baking soda (right out of the refrigerator so it's cold) with  $\frac{1}{2}$  cup hair conditioner in a plastic container. Let your child use their hands to mix these ingredients together until they become flaky, like powder snow. Then, your child can take some of their favorite figurines to make different footprints in the snow, going in all sorts of directions and patterns, just like the little boy in their book did! If you'd like to help your child retell the story, place a red piece of felt or material on one of their figurines and pretend it is the little boy in the story. Your child can move the character through the snow while going back over the story!

