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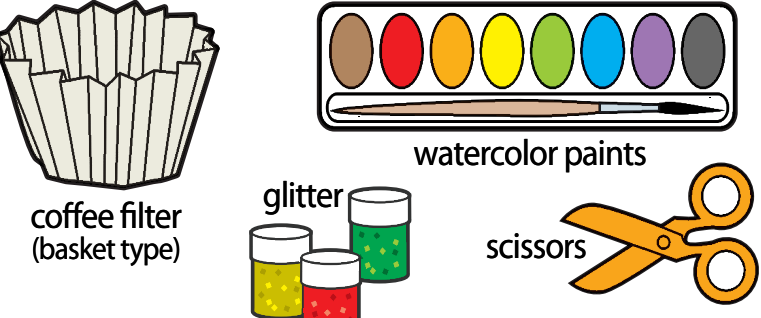
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HOLIDAY CRAFTS

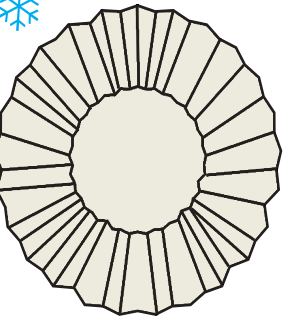
Spread some holiday cheer with these simple decorations for the season.

How to Make Snowflakes

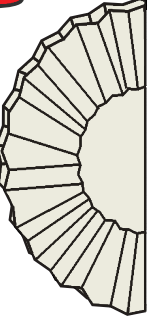
STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



coffee filter (basket type) watercolor paints glitter scissors



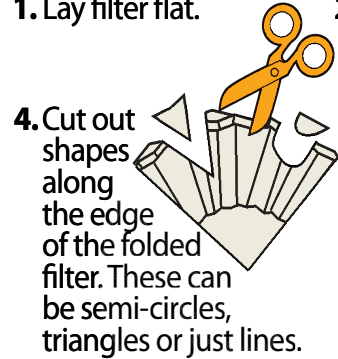
1. Lay filter flat.



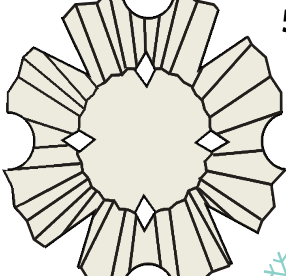
2. Fold in half.



3. Fold in half again (and one more time if you can).



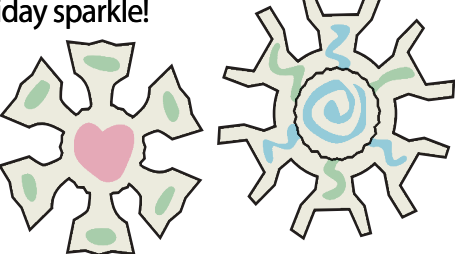
4. Cut out shapes along the edge of the folded filter. These can be semi-circles, triangles or just lines.



5. Open the filter and lay it flat to see your snowflake design.



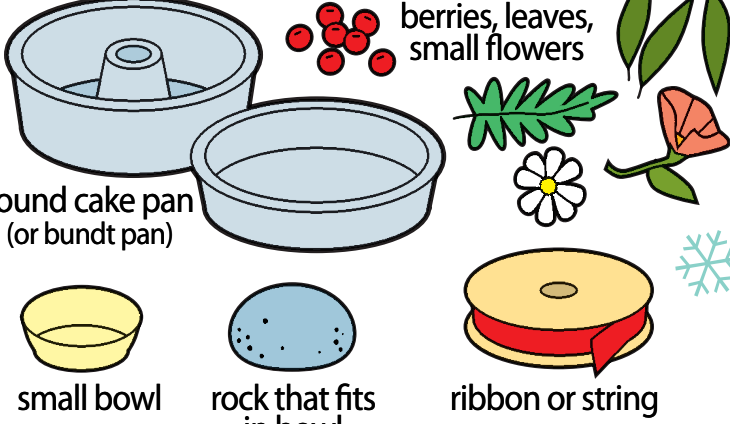
6. Paint your snowflake with watercolors. Add some glitter for extra holiday sparkle!



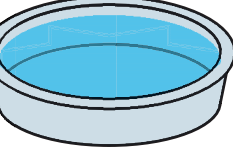
TRY THIS: You can glue several snowflakes to a long strip of red, white, gold or green paper to make a cool holiday table runner.

How to Make an Ice Wreath

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



round cake pan (or bundt pan) berries, leaves, small flowers small bowl rock that fits in bowl ribbon or string



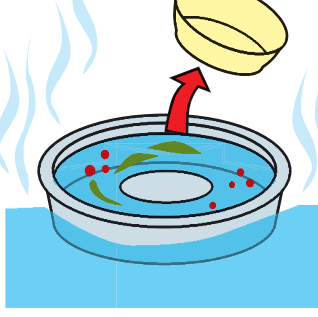
1. Fill your cake pan container with water, leaving a little space at the top.



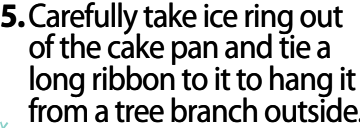
2. Place bowl in center of pan and weigh down with a rock or heavy soup can.*



3. Place berries and leaves in water. Freeze overnight.



4. The next day, fill your sink with warm water. Put your cake pan in the water just long enough to loosen the ice ring. Remove the bowl.



5. Carefully take ice ring out of the cake pan and tie a long ribbon to it to hang it from a tree branch outside.

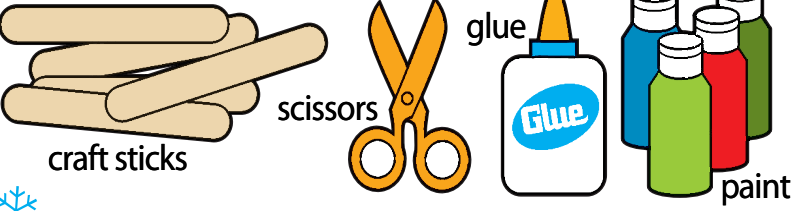


The ice wreath will melt slowly, but in the meantime, you can enjoy this festive decoration!

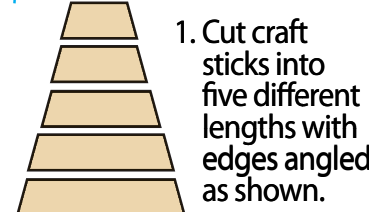
*Skip this step if using bundt pan.

Make Mini Christmas Trees

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



craft sticks glue paint chenille stem scissors



1. Cut craft sticks into five different lengths with edges angled as shown.



2. Paint pieces with a variety of patterns. Let dry completely.



3. Glue tree pieces onto a craft stick trunk. Glue a loop of chenille stem to hang ornament.

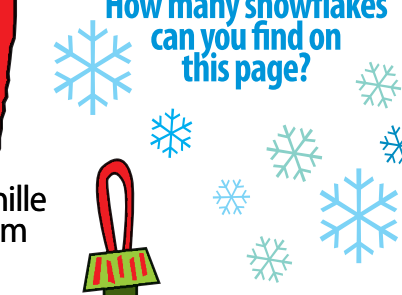
News Cards

Extra! Extra!

Make your own holiday cards by clipping out words and pictures from your local newspaper. Add a two-line rhyme for a special holiday greeting.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.

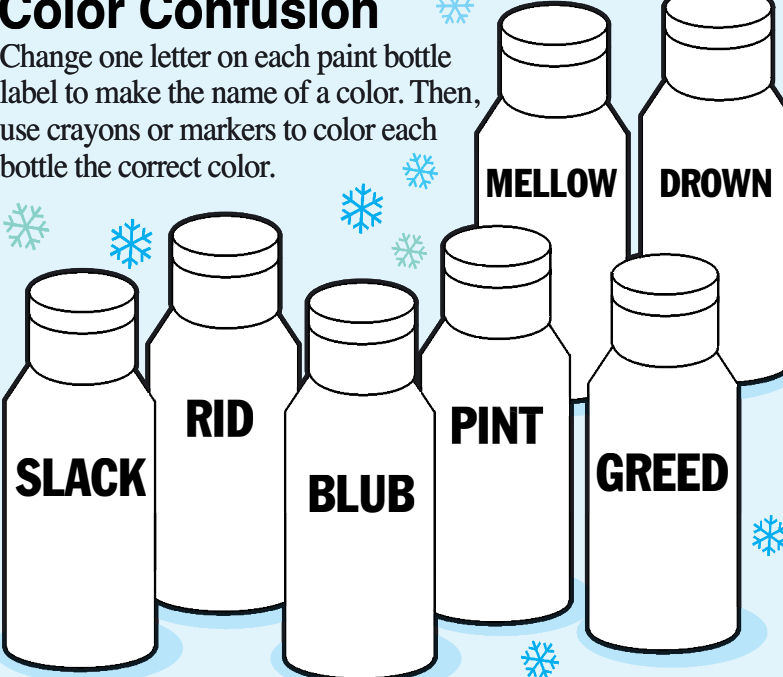
How many snowflakes can you find on this page?



Kid Scoop Puzzler

Color Confusion

Change one letter on each paint bottle label to make the name of a color. Then, use crayons or markers to color each bottle the correct color.



Standards Link: Reading Comprehension: Follow simple written directions.

Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

SNOWFLAKES
ORNAMENT
HOLIDAY
SPARKLE
FESTIVE
WREATH
DESIGN
FREEZE
SHAPES
PAINT
HEAVY
WATER
SINK
TREE
ICE

S	H	T	N	E	M	A	N	R	O
S	N	O	W	F	L	A	K	E	S
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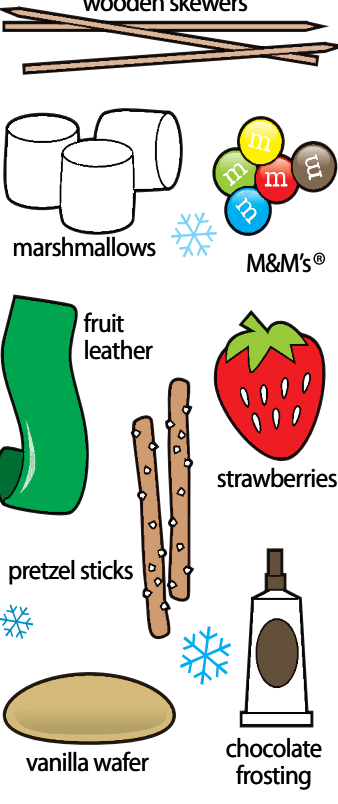
Standards Link: Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

Kid Scoop Together

Marshmallow Snowmen

Work with a parent to make these fun holiday treats.

STUFF YOU'LL NEED:



wooden skewers marshmallows M&M's fruit leather strawberries pretzel sticks vanilla wafer chocolate frosting

1. Thread three marshmallows onto each skewer.

2. Use frosting as glue to stick on vanilla wafer hat brim.

3. Use frosting dots to make eyes, mouth and buttons.

4. Slice off the tip of a strawberry to form the top of the hat, using frosting as glue.

5. Use a dab of frosting to glue on an orange M&M nose.

6. Cut a strip of fruit leather and wrap around to form scarf.

7. Insert pretzel sticks for arms.



FROM THE Kid Scoop LESSON LIBRARY

Weather Symbols

Look through the newspaper for a weather report. Design your own symbols for different kinds of weather conditions including frost, snow, sun, rain, wind, clouds, fog and thunder and lightning.

Standards Link: Research: Use the newspaper to locate information.



What do you get when you cross a snowman with a baker?

ANSWER: Frosty the Dough Man.

Write On!

Winter Poem

Write a poem about winter that is no more than five lines long.

Kid Scoop VOCABULARY BUILDERS

This week's word: **DESIGN**

The noun **design** means the arrangement of parts into something being created.

The **design** of the coat featured extra pockets and a layer of warm fleece.

Try to use the word **design** in a sentence today when talking with your friends and family.