

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher \_\_\_\_\_



# PK Winter Challenge 2025-2026

*Are you up for this Winter Challenge? We have confidence that you are!*

*Complete as many learning activities as you can over the winter break.*

*Ask an adult to initial each box once completed. Then return the Winter Challenge Choice Board and evidence to your teacher.*

## Choice Board: Complete as many as you can! 😊

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| <b>ELA: Snowball Names!</b><br>Write (adult or child) the letters of child's name on sticky notes or pieces of white paper and crumble the paper. The adult will hide the "snowballs" around the house. Can you find all the letters in your name?                                     | <b>Math: Color Hunt</b><br>Find 10 green things around your house.<br><br>Find 10 red things around your house.<br><br><b>Extension:</b> Using markers or crayons, draw what you find in red and green!                                                                               | <b>Science:</b> Take a neighborhood walk or go to a local park and find as many pinecones as you can. How many did you find?<br><b>Compare:</b> Which trees have pinecones? Which trees do not? How are they different?<br><b>Extension:</b> Make a pinecone ornament using glitter or paper and string!           | <b>Math: Number Hunt</b><br>Go on a number hunt around your house. How many numbers can you find written in your home?                                                                                                                                                                                  | <b>ELA: Holiday Songs</b><br>Listen to your favorite holiday song. Repeat the word to the song after an adult.<br><br><b>Extension:</b> Come up with your own dance moves!                                                                                 |
| <b>Math: Holiday Light Stroll!</b><br>Walk through your neighborhood and find holiday decorations and lights. How many reindeer can you find? How many snowmen can you find? How many gingerbread people can you find?                                                                 | <b>Science: What is that smell?</b> Find different spices with different smells (cinnamon, lemon extract, onions, vanilla extract, etc.). Talk about the smells. How are they different? How are they alike? Which smell do you like the most? Which do you like the least?           | <b>ELA: Story time!</b><br>Read a book with a family member or friend. You can share your favorite books.                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Social Studies:</b> Pick a special day/time and name is "Family Meeting". Involve preschoolers in household decision-making processes, such as forming family rules, and listening to others' ideas and perspectives.<br><b>Extension:</b> Draw a picture of the family rules.                       | <b>Science: Holiday Mystery Bag</b><br>Gather objects from the winter holidays (e.g., ribbon, ornaments, wrapping paper). Put the items in a bag. Invite your child to reach in the bag and describe or name the objects in the bag as they pull them out. |
| <b>ELA: Play Simple Snowman Says!</b> Give directions like: Touch your head, hop on 1 foot, pretend to run like a gingerbread man, sit down, stand up, clap your hands, pretend to build a snowman, spin around in a circle, pretend to ride a reindeer.<br>Try 2 step directions.     | <b>Social Studies: Gingerbread Hide-N-Seek</b><br>Draw a gingerbread man on a piece of paper. Have a family member high the gingerbread man around the house. Where is he?<br><b>Math Connection:</b> Use spatial concepts: up/down/in/on/under/ in front                             |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | <b>ELA: Reindeer Hokey Pokey!</b> (Sing to the tune of the Hokey Pokey)<br>You put your antlers in; you put your antlers out! You put your antlers in, and you shake them all about. You do the reindeer hokey pokey and turn yourself around, that's what it's all about! (Add hooves, red nose, etc.) | <b>Math: Cookie Sheet Snow!</b><br>Using shaving cream, flour, or sugar, invite your child to practice writing different objects or shapes in different sizes on a cookie sheet.<br><br><b>Extension:</b> Write name!                                      |
| <b>Social Studies:</b> Provide a globe or virtual map. Decide where you are going to fly. Let the child be the airplane and "fly" to that special place you chose together.<br><b>Extension:</b> What holiday songs, traditions, or symbols does that country use during the holidays? | <b>Math: Set the Dinner Table</b><br>How many family members are in your household? How many plates do you need? How many forks do you need? How many cups do you need? How many napkins do you need?                                                                                 | <b>Science: Painting with ice!</b><br>Materials: water, ice cube tray, food coloring (red, blue, green), popsicle sticks. Pour water evenly in a tray. Add tiny drops of food coloring in each. Place 1 popsicle stick in each ice cube tray, then place in freezer. Hold the sticks to paint on a sheet of paper! | <b>Math: Snowball Hopscotch</b><br>Using chalk and sticks or rocks, invite a friend or family member to draw hopscotch boxes 1-10 or 1-20. Crumble a piece of paper (pretend it's a snowball) and throw it on a number. Show what the number is and hop to it!                                          | <b>Science:</b><br>Cut out a square/rectangle from a piece of wrapping paper or paper towel. Predict: What item can fit in this? Attempt to "wrap" a present with help from an adult.                                                                      |
| <b>ELA: I Spy</b><br>Using holiday decorations from outside or in your home, play I Spy, use descriptive words, like size and color, for clues of what you see. Ex: "I spy something red, it's the shape of a ball, it hangs from a tree" (answer: it's an ornament).                  | <b>Science: Investigating Water</b><br>Ask questions about water and let your child experiment and find the answers. "What does water feel like? "Is it rough or smooth? "Is it hot or cold?" Is it wet or dry?" Water the plants, clean the room or make dough from flour and water! | <b>ELA:</b> Build a snow fort with blankets! Read a holiday book with a family member in the fort! Sing the ABC song and a holiday song in the snow fort!                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Social Studies: Meaningful Albums</b><br>Look at current or old family photos/albums (or phone) with child. Share the names and relationships of important people in their life. Share favorite memories!                                                                                            | <b>MATH: Shape Hunt</b><br><br>Find 5 things shaped like a circle.<br><br>Find 5 things shaped like a rectangle!                                                                                                                                           |

Adult Signature: \_\_\_\_\_