



IMAGINE A WINTER WONDERLAND



“One winter morning Peter woke up and looked out the window. Snow had fallen during the night. It covered everything as far as he could see.”

—*The Snowy Day* by Ezra Jack Keats

Create your own winter wonderland! First, ask an adult to help you use white paper to cut out snowflakes and icicles to hang all around the room. Then, with three large circles of paper, make the body and head of a snowman to hang on a wall. Remember to give your snowman a face, arms, and winter clothing—like a scarf, hat, or mittens—to keep him warm! Celebrate by enjoying warm weather treats, such as hot chocolate, and by wearing your favorite scarf or gloves.

Identify the use of onomatopoeia words—words that sound like what they describe—in *The Snowy Day*.

“Crunch, crunch, crunch, his feet sank into the snow.”

“Down fell the snow—plop!—on top of Peter’s head.”

Brainstorm onomatopoeia words that describe sounds in all four seasons of the year, such as the sounds of a summer thunderstorm or birds chirping in the springtime. Then use the words to write an original story or poem.

Peter has so much fun crunching his feet in the snow, making a smiling snowman, and sliding down a snowy mountain on this one snowy day. Have you ever had a snowy adventure? Write a story on the lines below about an exciting day that you had in the snow. On another piece of paper, draw pictures to illustrate your story and to show how much fun you had!
