

Winter Music Activites

for home and in the classroom



Communication

Song:

If all of the snowflakes

Lyrics:

If all of the snowflakes Were <u>candy bars</u> and <u>milkshakes</u> Oh what a snow that would be Standing outside with my mouth open wide 'Ah, ah, ah, ah, ah, ah, ah, ah, ah'



Lyrics underlined can be exchanged with the child's favorite food/treats. Additional changes can include using different sounds for the "ah's" like ma, ba, la, and da depending on sounds te child is currently mimicking.

Social Emotional

Song:

1 Little Snowman to the tune of 5 <u>Little Pumpkins</u> The Kiboomers

Lyrics:

1 Little snowman smiling smiling 1 Little snowman smiling smiling 1 Little snowman smiling smiling 1 Little snowman is happy



The lyrics underlined can be interchangeable with the different faces presented by you or images of people showing different emotions (smiling, laughing, crying) and is reflective of the emotion listed.

Simple Math

Song:

5 Little Snowmen to the tune of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star

Lyrics:

5 little snowmen standing in a row Each with a hat and a big red bow Out came the sun and it stayed all day

And one little snowman melted away,



Sing through the song going from 5 to 0. As the student becomes more familiar with the rhyming words give pause and cue words with gestures (i.e. point to head for hat) to encourage communication.

5 Snowmen Visual

Gross Motor

Song:

<u>Skating</u> by Stephanie Leavell or <u>Freeze Dance</u> by DJ Raphi



Follow the lyrics of each song with movements and freeze when it says. During each freeze section provide appropriate sensory input (arm squeezing, hugging, holding hands) or encourage students to provide input themselves.

Regulation/Relaxation

Song:

<u>Sweater</u> by Stephanie Leavell

Lyrics:

There's nothing better than a nice warm sweater. It's like a great big hug There's nothing better than a nice warm sweater. Except when it goes terribly wrong...and it's _____ (tight, itchy, tickly). There's nothing better than a nice warm sweater. It's like a great big hug Except when it goes terribly wrong

Oh it's fine, it's perfectly fine!

I'm wearing the comfiest sweater ever, oh good!



This song can be used to explore various sensory experiences (something tight, itchy, tickly, wet, etc.) using props. Additionally, this song could be used to regulate with the child sitting in your lap and wrapped in your arms and you can rotate between providing different tactile experiences (itching, tickling, squeezing, etc.).

Resources

Playlists:

<u>Winter Music Therapy</u> <u>Music for Kiddos Winter Music</u>

Resources:

<u>Music Therapy Made Simple</u> <u>Music for Kiddos</u>

Books:

- The Snowy Day by Ezra Jack Keats
- There Was a Cold Lady Who Swallowed Some Snow by Lucille Colandro
- Sneezy the Snowman by Maureen Wright
- Snowmen at Night by Caralyn Buehner
- Polar Bear, Polar Bear, What Do You Hear? by Bill Martin Jr. / Eric Carle

I hope you all have a wonderful winter season! -Emma Latham, MM, MT-BC