

# Montessori-Style Activities for January



## Winter Close Up Matching

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Laminate and cut the cards. This is a slightly advanced matching activity.

Line up the picture cards along the top of the rug or table. Pick up a close-up card and see if you can find its match. Place below the picture card.

Emphasize left to right and top-to-bottom formatting when laying out the cards.

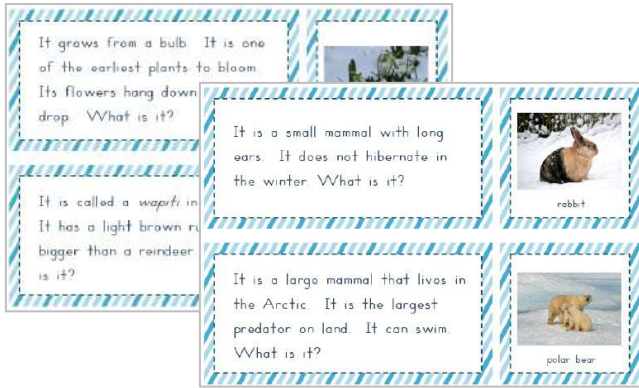
## Winter Go-Togethers

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Laminate and cut the cards. Line up the cards with the darker border along the top edge of the rug or table. Pick up a random card with a lighter border and find the card it goes with.

# Winter Question Game



Laminate and cut the cards.

Distribute the pictures among a small group of children.

Name each picture and talk about it together. Draw a question card and let the children use the clues to identify the correct picture.

# Winter Rhyming Riddles



Line up the picture cards and name each image to ensure that the child knows what it is. Read a riddle card and have the child complete the rhyme. If she can't, offer a clue by saying the first sound (this is called the onset) and have her complete the word (the rest of the word is called the rime).

If her ear is not ready for rhyming yet, you can provide the rhyming word. For example: "I rhyme with box. I am a fox. Box, fox. They rhyme." Using this vocabulary is a simple way to introduce the concept of rhyming.

## Sorting Winter Living and Non-Living

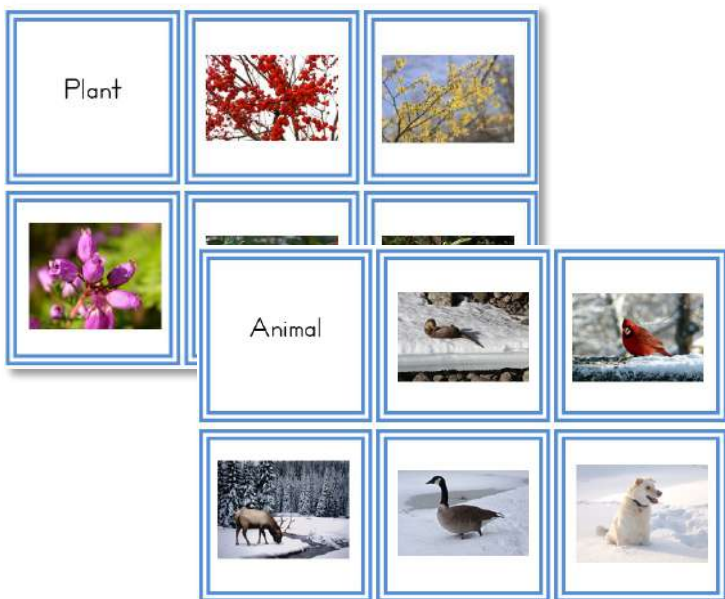
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Compare living and non-living things. Sort the cards into two rows or columns

## Sorting Winter Plant and Animal

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Compare plants and animals. Sort the cards into two rows or columns.

# 0-10 Number Cards

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These 0-10 number cards can be used for a variety of counting activities. Blank cards have also been provided if you would like to make your own cards. These are great for calendar numbers too! Instructions for the Montessori Numbers and Counters Activity can be found here: <http://youtu.be/qvFuUwvFf9Y>



# Beginning Letter Sound Sorting

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Use these cards with letters from the Movable Alphabet or Magnetic Letters. Printable letters are also provided if you prefer those.

## CVC 3 Part Cards

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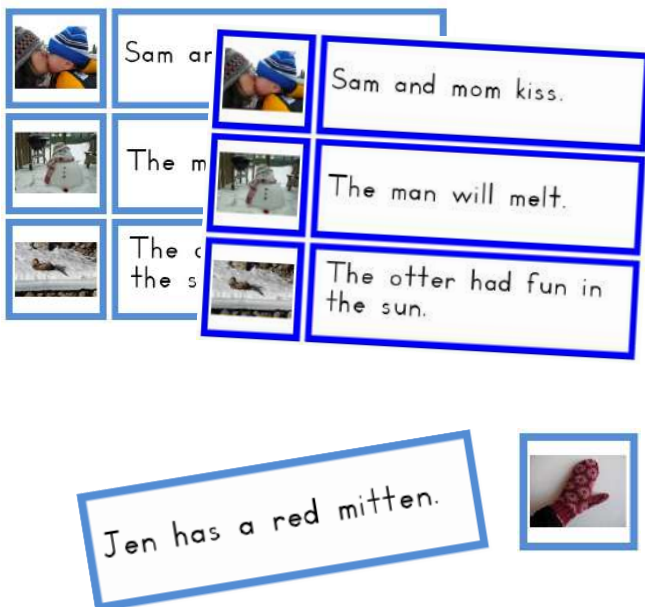


Laminate and cut the cards as shown. Line up the picture-only cards. Read the word labels and match to the picture. Use the Picture+Word cards to check work.

These cards come with a blue border to coordinate with your seasonal work, and a pink border to coordinate with your Pink Series Reading work if you use that color scheme. You do not need to print both sets.

## Phonetic Reading Sentences

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These sentences are phonetically decodable. They contain blends and the sight word "the".

Two color border options are provided. You do not need to print both sets.