



Week 1



Winter Morning Basket

POEM OF THE WEEK

Winter-Time

Robert Louis Stevenson

Late lies the wintry sun a-bed,
A frosty, fiery sleepy-head;
Blinks but an hour or two; and then,
A blood-red orange, sets again.

Black are my steps on silver sod;
Thick blows my frosty breath abroad;
And tree and house, and hill and lake,
Are frosted like a wedding-cake.

PICTURE STUDY

The Hunters in the Snow

Pieter Bruegel the Elder, 1565

What do you think the hunters caught? How can you tell it is very cold?

COMPOSER STUDY

Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky

The Nutcracker: Waltz of the Snowflakes

Listen with eyes closed. What pictures come to mind? Draw or tell them.

FOLK SONG

Jingle Bells

Sing it together all week.

Talk about one line: what does it mean to you?

NATURE FOCUS

Evergreen trees

Collect a needle cluster and a cone. Is it a pine, spruce or fir? Sketch it.

This week

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
Poem	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Picture	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Music	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Song	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Nature	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐



Copywork • Week 1

From "Winter-Time" by Robert Louis Stevenson

Name: _____

Date: _____

Trace each line slowly. Then copy it on your own.

Late lies the wintry sun a-bed,

A frosty, fiery sleepy-head;

Illustrate the poem:



Picture Study Cards



Cut apart · Look for 2 minutes, turn over, tell back

WEEK 1

The Hunters in the Snow

Pieter Bruegel the Elder · 1565

Look for:

Tired hunters and their dogs trudge home through deep snow. Below them, tiny figures skate on frozen ponds, a fire burns outside the inn, and black birds perch in the bare trees.

Tell back:

What do you think the hunters caught? How can you tell it is very cold?

WEEK 2

Winter Landscape with Skaters and Bird Trap

Pieter Bruegel the Elder · 1565

Look for:

Villagers skate, slide and play on a frozen river. On the right, a wooden board propped up by a stick waits to trap the hungry birds gathered in the snow.

Tell back:

Find the bird trap. Which skater would you like to be?

WEEK 3

The Gloomy Day

Pieter Bruegel the Elder · 1565

Look for:

Dark storm clouds roll over a wide river where ships toss in the waves. In the village below, people cut willow branches and mend fences as late winter turns toward spring.

Tell back:

What is the weather like? What jobs are the people doing?

WEEK 4

The Return of the Herd

Pieter Bruegel the Elder · 1565

Look for:

Herders drive a long line of cattle home down a hillside as the leaves fall. A wide river valley and rocky mountains stretch out behind them under a cloudy sky.

Tell back:

How many cows can you count? What season do you think it is?



Composer Listening Page

Listen, then draw and write

Name: _____

Date: _____

Composer: _____

Piece: _____

Circle the words that fit the music:

fast

slow

loud

soft

happy

sad

calm

exciting

dancing

stormy

sparkly

sleepy

Which instruments did you hear?

☐ violin

☐ cello

☐ flute

☐ piano

☐ drums

☐ harp

☐ trumpet

☐ clarinet

Draw what the music made you imagine:

Tell about it:



Winter Nature Journal

Go outside, look closely, draw what you see

Name: _____

Date: _____

Weather:

☐

sunny

☐

cloudy

☐

snowy

☐

windy

☐

rainy

Temperature:

Place:

My sketch

I noticed...

I wonder...

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