



Dear Parents,

As the holiday season approaches we are getting ready for our winter program. We hope to see many of you there. Make sure your child continues reading 15-20 minutes a day throughout winter break.

There will be a really fun project assigned over the holiday break. The homework assignment is to create a snowman with "personality/character." As you can see, there is only a body, without any "character." We are asking the children to dress the snowman and give it a personality/character and give it a name! Last year we had an adorable baseball player snowman, a hula dancer snow lady, a chef, a pumpkin, and a patriotic snow person. The "SNOW PERSON" they create should be of their choice and created, designed and made on their own. After they "DRESS" the snowman, they need to write an original, made up story with all the story elements (title, character names, setting, plot: beginning, middle, and end, problem and solution). Don't forget.....original stories!!!!...not retold movies or books. They should describe their main character and write about an adventure (an unusual and exciting typically-hazardous experience or activity) involving that character with as many details and describing words as possible. Make it fun and creative!

This project will be due on Jan. 21, 2020. No late projects will be given a grade. We hope you and your families enjoy a wonderful Holiday Season and joyous New Year! For some online examples visit www.MrsRadosevich.weebly.com or www.keeseekids.com.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Radosevich, Ms. Correa, Ms. Escobedo, and Ms. Keesee

Snowman Project Grade Sheet

- _____ Snowman writing includes a title (10 pts.)
- _____ Snowman writing includes a beginning, middle, and end (30 pts.)
- _____ Snowman writing includes character (10 pts.)
- _____ Snowman writing includes description of character (20 pts.)
- _____ Snowman writing includes details (30 pts.)
- _____ Total = _____ Grade

Snowman Art Grade

	4	3	2	1
Art	*Much originality and creativity is shown in the snow person's character/outfit. *Artwork is neat and careful.	*Snow person has a character/outfit. *Artwork is neat and careful.	*Snow person has a character/outfit. *Artwork is messy.	*Little to no effort is shown in the snow person's character/outfit.

Snowman Oral Presentation Grade

	(Excellent	Average	Needs to improve)	
<u>Voice</u>				
Volume and tone appropriate	4	3	2	1
Enunciates clearly	4	3	2	1
Avoids "um's" and "err's"	4	3	2	1
Appropriate intonations	4	3	2	1
<u>Presentation</u>				
Clear	4	3	2	1
Well planned/prepared	4	3	2	1
Few cues needed	4	3	2	1
Interesting to audience	4	3	2	1
Speaks in complete sentences	4	3	2	1
Correct grammar and usage	4	3	2	1
Vocabulary age appropriate	4	3	2	1
<u>Body language</u>				
Relaxed and receptive	4	3	2	1
Did not fidget	4	3	2	1
Maintained eye contact with audience/peers	4	3	2	1
54 - 56 = 4				
38 - 53 = 3				
33 - 37 = 2				
0 - 32 = 1				
Total/grade	_____ / _____			