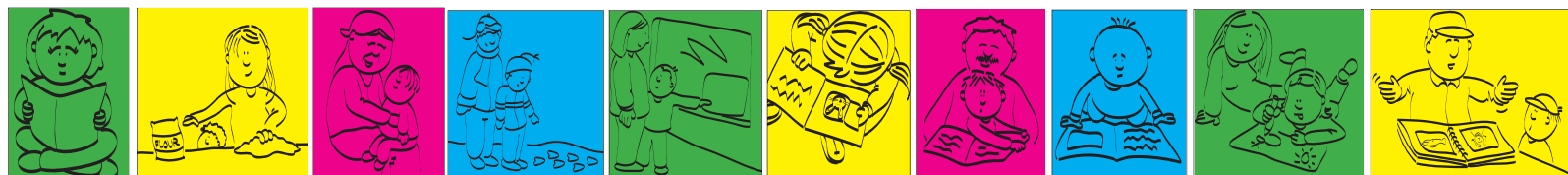


NWT Literacy Council

# Celebrate Family Literacy Day

with your family on January 27, 2007!

- Talk, share books and play with your children.
- Share songs, stories and rhymes together.
- Talk to your children in your own language.
- Laugh and have fun with your children.
- Look at photographs and tell your family's stories.
- Go for a walk on the land and talk about what you see, hear & smell.



# Family Literacy Day Activities



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## 1-2-3 Rhyme With Me!

### Five Little Snowflakes

Five little snowflakes  
Flying by my door  
One blew away  
And then there were four.

Four little snowflakes  
Falling down on me  
One blew away  
And then there were three.

Three little snowflakes  
Falling down on you  
One blew away  
And then there were two.

Two little snowflakes  
Having lots of fun  
One blew away  
And then there was one.

One little snowflake  
Sitting in the sun  
It melted away  
And then there were none.



### I'm A Little Snowman

I'm a little snowman,  
short and fat;  
Here is my scarf,  
and here is my hat.  
Lumps of coal for eyes,  
and a carrot nose,  
And I'm all ready  
when the cold wind blows!

(Sung to the tune of  
"I'm a Little Teapot")



### One, Two, Caribou

One, two, caribou  
Three, four, fishing by the shore  
Five, six, fire from sticks  
Seven, eight, bannock we make  
Nine, ten, camping again.

## Perfect Play Dough

- 1 Cup Water (add food colouring if you wish)
- 1 tablespoon (tbsp) vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup salt
- 1/2 cup flour
- 2 teaspoons (tsp) cream of tartar

Heat the oil in a pot first.

Then add all other ingredients at once.

Heat and stir until it starts to thicken and form into a lumpy pile.

Take the pot off the stove and put the play dough in a bowl and knead until it is smooth.

It is now ready to be played with. Use the play dough to make alphabet letters. Have your child close his or her eyes and try to identify the letter by feeling the shape.

Have fun!

Visit [www.nwt.literacy.ca](http://www.nwt.literacy.ca)  
for more activities & materials!

## Reading & Writing Games

☞ **Alphabet Puzzle** – Use index cards and write a letter of the alphabet on each card, a capital letter on the left and the lowercase letter on the right. Now cut the cards in half with different patterns, mix them up and have your child match the pairs up.

☞ **Connect The Dots** – Make a large dot-to-dot of your child's name on a piece of paper and have your child connect the dots to write his or her name.

☞ **Name Game** – Write each letter of your child's name on index cards. Lay them out on a table. Have your child put the cards in order to spell their name.

☞ **Word Recognition** – Write words on index cards. On another set of cards draw or paste pictures of these words. Have your child match up the words and pictures.

