

FUN

DO YOU WANT TO BUILD A SNOWMAN?

Give each group several rolls of toilet paper, a hat, scarf, mittens and some large buttons or small, colored paper plates.

Groups must use the materials to turn one group member into a snow-woman.

Give prizes for the first completed, the most creative, the most fashionable, and the "Charlie Brown" version!

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CHALLENGES OF THE SEASON

The winter months and holidays sometimes require some creativity. Weather, decorations, and extra family create changes in the normal schedule of activities. Have a speaker talk about ways deal with the stress and loneliness of the season. Include ways to celebrate with your children, notice God's beauty of the season, and how to rest when schedules can be hectic! Make sure to include how our relationship with God can help us overcome these challenges.

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TALK

What is one activity you have done with your kids when the weather is too yucky to go outside?

How do you embrace rest during the busy holiday season?

When the winter months are long, what are some ways to notice the beauty of the season?

The holidays and winter months can be very lonely despite busy schedules. What do you do when you feel lonely?

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DECONSTRUCTED SNOWMAN

Create a snack for the kids in the car on the way home or a fun activity for a bad weather day.

Supplies: 3 large marshmallows, 2 pretzel sticks, 1 piece of black licorice and 1 teeny, tiny slice of an orange gummy.

Put all items in a small, cellophane bag and fold a piece of printed cardstock over the top and staple it. Type something fun on the cardstock like, "Do You Wanna Build a Snowman?"

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PICTIONARY/CHARADES

Give each group several seasonal traditions on separate pieces of paper. Groups much draw/act out traditions trying to get the remainder of their group to guess the tradition.

- Decorating the tree
- Wrapping presents
- Singing carols
- Building a snowman

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YOURS, MINE AND OURS

Many families struggle with how to blend two families worth of holiday traditions into their own family. Invite a speaker to talk about how to sort out what family of origin traditions you should keep, which you should ditch, and how to incorporate new ones so your family can have its own unique way of celebrating.

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TALK

What are some of your family Christmas traditions that are most meaningful to you?

What are some you don't like?

Is there something missing from how your family celebrates that you would like to begin?

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Formatted like a talk show, interview several moms about their Christmas traditions. Have them show examples and give instructions on gifts/décor/food that the moms could make for Christmas. Make sure to include fun demonstrations.

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