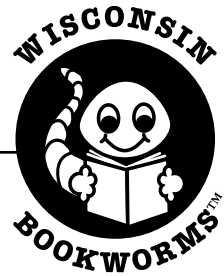


# WISCONSIN BOOKWORMS™

# Activity Sheet



## Snowmen at Night

By Caralyn Buehner, illustrated by Mark Buehner

When the snowman he built the day before looks droopy and disheveled, a boy imagines what happened during the night.

**Before you read this book:** Consider reading it in December or January when there's sure to be lots of snow on the ground. Talk with the children about things they enjoy doing outside during the winter.

**While you read this book:** Allow time for the children to look at and talk about the pictures. (Pictures and illustrations are very important.)

**Reading tip:** Introduce the book by discussing the cover, title, author and illustrator. Look at the pictures to discover what the story is about.

**After you read this book:** Take it outside. Even though the weather is cold, there are still lots of things to do outdoors that are sure to keep you warm. Have a snowman-building contest with your children.

Let your children be creative. Provide them with lots of snowman accessories and let their imaginations take over.

Or for an indoor activity, make snowmen using black construction paper and white chalk to draw the snowmen.

**Try this at home!** Let's make snowmen on a stick!

What you'll need: bananas, grapes, carrots, apples, bamboo sticks, mini chocolate chips and pretzel sticks

For each snowman, you will need three thick slices of banana, a grape, a sliver of carrot and a triangular piece of apple. (Tip: First poke a hole in the apple piece with a bamboo skewer to make assembly easier.)

Have your kids slide the fruit onto the skewer, then use the carrot slivers for noses, mini chocolate chips for eyes, and buttons and pretzel sticks for arms.

**Build a snowman and a healthy snack at the same time.**

**Extend the fun with these other books about snowmen:** "Snowballs" by Lois Ehlert; "All You Need For a Snowman" by Alice Schertle, illustrated by Barbara Lavallee; "The Snowman" by Raymond Briggs

**And these books about winter:** "It's Winter" by Linda Glaser; "When Winter Comes" by Nancy Van Laan" illustrated by Susan Gaber; "Winter Lullaby" by Barbara Seuling, illustrated by Greg Newbold

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