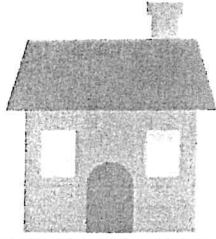
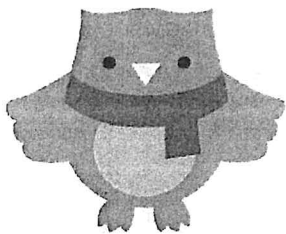
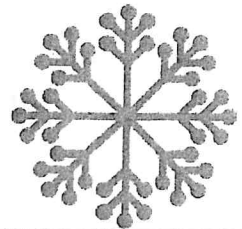


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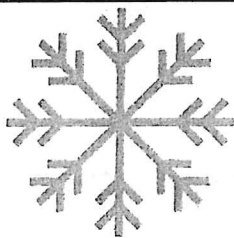
January 1 is Paul Revere's Birthday. He is famous for his midnight ride to warn Americans that the British were coming. Imagine you were with him. What would that ride be like?

**What if you woke up & your house froze overnight?
You now lived in an ice palace!
Describe what life would be like.**



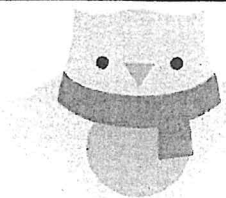
**What is your favorite winter activity?
Who do you like to do it with?
Why is it special?**

**January 4 is Jacob Grimm's birthday.
He helped write Grimm's Fairy Tales.
What is your favorite fairy tale? Favorite character?**



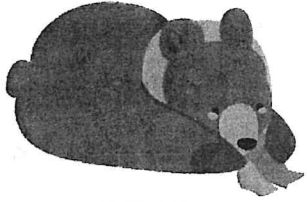
**What are some ways that you can help animals survive in the winter?
Talk about ideas & make a plan to get started.**

**January is Oatmeal Month!
What types of toppings do you like on your oatmeal?
What other ways can you bake with oats?**



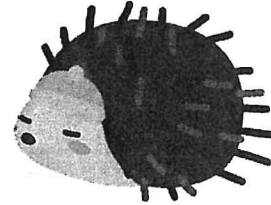
**January is also Soup Month!
What is your favorite type of soup? If you could invent your own kind of soup, what would be in it? What would you call it?**

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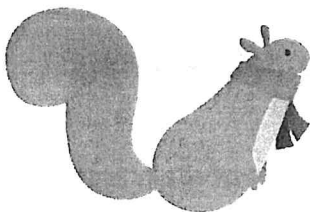
Imagine that you have a magic sled
that could take you anywhere in the world.
Where would you go & why?

Brr! You are a snowflake.
What is your fall to the ground like?
What do you look like?



Think about a winter survival kit.
What would you include in it?
What would not be a good idea?

If you were stranded alone on an iceberg,
what would you do to keep busy?
How would you stay warm?



What animals do you think are
the happiest in the winter?
What do you think makes it so special to them?

What would life in an igloo be like?
How would you decorate it?
What would it look like?



Would you like to hibernate?
How would you prepare for a long winter of hibernation?
What do you think you would dream about while you were hibernating?

January 2018 Conversation Starters ~ Week 4



What is the best way to build a snowman?
Talk about the steps & what needs to be done.
What will your snowman wear?

What summer sport would be hard to play in the winter?
How would the cold weather make it different?



Pretend you had a magic wand that
could turn snowflakes into candy.
What candy would you wish would "snow"?

What would be a good menu for a winter picnic?
What types of food & drinks would you pack?
Where would you go?



January 29 is National Puzzle Day.
What picture or scene would be easy
for a jigsaw puzzle? Hard to solve?

What do you like the most about winter?
What is the worst thing about winter?



Pretend there's been a huge snowstorm.
Your job is to deliver the mail.
What are some creative ways you'd get your job done?

January Conversation Starters ~ Week 3



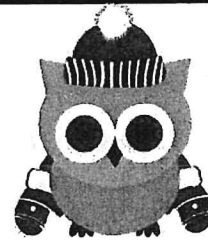
What would life as a penguin be like?
What would you eat?
How would you sleep? Play?

Benjamin Franklin's birthday is January 17.
He showed how lightning is electricity. How many
different ways do you use electricity every day?



A.A. Milne (creator of Winnie-the-Pooh)
was born on January 18.
Who is your favorite character from Pooh Corner & why?

Imagine that your family turned into snowpeople.
What would your day be like?
What would you eat & drink?



Close your eyes & pretend that Jack Frost
left his artwork on your windows.
Describe what it looks like.

Celebrate National Hugging Day (January 21)!
What do you like the most (or least) about hugs)?
Who would you like to hug today?



January 22 is Answer Your Cat's Question Day.
What kinds of questions do you think cats would ask you?
What would you ask a cat?