

Have fun with your little one exploring the library and the world of books. Bring in this booklet showing how many you've completed by March 22 and receive a tote bag & patch.

You can find books and place holds by looking them up in our online catalog. Stuck? Ask one of our library staff.

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Think outside the book!

The **FIVE** early literacy practices are

## **Sing, Talk, Read, Write, & Play.**

You can incorporate these practices into your day, every day!

Here's a simple Winter song you can sing to the tune of Frere Jaques:

Dance like snowflakes, dance like snowflakes  
In the air, in the air  
Whirling, twirling snowflakes

Whirling, twirling snowflakes Here and there, here and there.

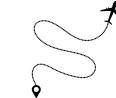
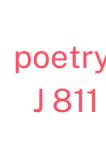
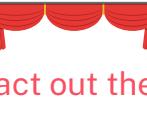
Try it with a scarf... can you make movements like whirling twirling snowflakes?

# GLIDE into LITERACY

## Winter Reading Challenge



# LET'S READ TOGETHER THIS WINTER! HOW MANY CATEGORIES CAN YOU READ BEFORE SPRING?

 the moon	a "New" book	with a red cover	fairy tale or folk tale J 398.2	cover is your favorite color	friendship	 a building	Title starts with the letter E	 traveling	that has no words
with a stuffy	 during a storm	a book someone else chooses	 a crustacean	while wearing a hat	 love	 poetry J 811	 an elephant	by Gail Gibbons	in a fancy outfit 
 feelings	by Lucy Cousins	 in a blanket fort	cookies	 anything!	has three words in the title	 something that hops	by an author whose last name starts with an R	hibernation 	the ocean 
by Sandra Boynton	 act out the story	illustrated by Christian Robinson	 migration	by an author whose last name starts with a G	 with a blue cover	 an award winner	 a machine	Illustrated by Beth Kromes	 a party
the alphabet 	by an author whose last name starts with a D	 a winter activity	a biography	 elders	something that flies	 polar bears	Title starts with the letter K	tools 	something tiny



You can find many books just by looking at our collection. Some might require a keyword or subject search in our catalog. (You can even order books from other libraries through Minerva!)

Some of the categories are intentionally open-ended in hopes of inspiring interesting conversations and treasure hunts!

