

PLAY IN THE SNOW!

Making Snow Angels

Find an area of fresh snow free of rocks or sticks.

Stand up straight, then gently fall backwards into the snow onto your back. Using a sweeping motion, move your arms back and forth between your head and waist, while opening and closing your legs (like you are doing jumping jacks laying down) at the same time. Repeat until you've made the imprint of an angel in the snow.

Have someone pull you up by your arms, being careful not to step on your creation. To add color, use spray bottles filled with food coloring and water.

Snowlympics

Snow Hurdles

Roll snow into large balls, then line them up to create a course. Whoever runs the course the fastest wins.

Snowball Throw

Dye snowballs different colors with a spray bottle filled with food coloring and water. Each player gets a different colored snowball, and throws their ball as far as they can in the same direction. The player who throws their snowball the farthest wins.

Snowball Roll

Players start with a snowball, then roll it in the snow. The player with the largest ball of snow wins. PS. This game can be played with teams, too.

Snow Toss

Line plastic soda bottle up in the snow. Players line up 20-30 feet away and take turns trying to knock them down with snowballs. The one who knocks down the most bottles is the winner.

Winter Treasure Hunt

Bury plastic toys in a big mound of snow. When someone calls out "Get ready. Get set. Go!" players should dig into the mound to find the toys. The player with the most toys wins.

Snow Tug of War

Using a shovel, mound snow into a waist or chest- high-wall, then split players into two teams on opposite sides of the wall.

Each team gets an end of rope (approximately 122 feet long) to grab on to. Someone should call out "Get ready. Get set. Go!" at which point team members should begin pulling the rope with both hands as hard as they can, trying to pull the other team through the snow wall.

An Old-Fashioned Snowball Fight

Divide players into two or more teams. Each team should find a protected area as their base (eg: behind a wall or tree, or snow bunker), then make a supply of snowballs (using just snow...no rocks, sticks or ice!)

When all the teams are ready, the game starts. The idea is to hit the other team players with snowballs (players that get hit by snowballs are out of the game.) and capture their base.

Snow Art

For this competition, you'll need an unbiased judge to choose a winner.

Have teams use their imagination to create a work of art using snow. Some fun ideas are a snow castle, snow sports car, snow pig, snow spaceship, or snow mermaid. Teams can use any sorts of props to embellish their creation, or use spray bottles filled with food coloring and water to add color. When everyone is done, have the judge announce the winner.

Snow Football

Carve a football field in the snow with a snow shovel, or use a spray bottle filled with food coloring and water to mark the field in the snow. Divide players into two teams, then have each team line up at opposite ends of the field for kickoff. Once someone on the receiving team catches the ball, he tries to move it back across the defense's goal line by running with it or passing it to a teammate. Play stops if the person with the ball is tagged by an opponent or slides out of bounds. The teams then face off again on the spot. After four tries, or a touchdown, the ball goes to the other team. The game ends when either team gets cold.

Snow Baseball

Carve a baseball diamond in the snow with a snow shovel, or use a spray bottle filled with food coloring and water to mark the field in the snow. Make small mounds of snow to represent home plate, first, second and third bases. Now, play ball!