

# January 2026

	Circle Time	Discussion, Whole/Small Group, Read-Aloud	Fine/Gross Motor, Choice Time	Creative Expression
Theme 1 • Polar Pals				
Friday January 2	Letter M Sound Introduction, Number 11 Piece	What Does “Polar” Mean? • Seal Pose • Polar Pals Theme Book	Pack and Scoop • Sled Rides	Sock Seal
Monday January 5	Letter M Name and Grapheme Introduction, White Color Piece	What Is the Arctic? • Winter Forest • Featured Books for Polar Pals	Polar Research Station • Snowflake Dance	M Is for Map
Tuesday January 6	Building Letter M, Octagon Shape Piece	What Is the Weather Like in the Arctic? • Trip to the Arctic • What’s the Season? • Blizzard in a Bottle	Ice Sculptures	Ice Painting
Wednesday January 7	Letter M Sensory Exploration, Number 11 Counting Card	What Animals Live in the Arctic? • Arctic Animals January Math Game • Immi’s Gift • Arctic Animal Research	Polar Landscape	Polar Buddy
Thursday January 8	Letter M Journal, Cotton Ball Sensory Play	What Is the Antarctic? • Exploring Antarctica • Penguin Habitat • Build a Snowman Challenge	Faux Snow	Winter Snowman Face
Friday January 9	Letter M Animals, Cut an Octagon	What Is the Weather Like in the Antarctic? • Weather Check • Winter Machines • Snowball Count	Winter In My Region	Winter Wonder Prints
Monday January 12	Letter N Sound Introduction, Number 11 Journal	What Animals Live in the Antarctic? • Blubber Mitten • Waxy Feathers • Tall as a Penguin • Polar Animal LCM	–	Playful Penguin
Tuesday January 13	Letter N Name and Grapheme Introduction, Color White Journal	What Is a Glacier? • Make a Glacier • Humor in Stories • Ice Block Designs	Walrus, Walrus	N Is for Night
Wednesday January 14	Building Letter N, An Octagon Surprise!	What Is an Iceberg? • Polar Animal Sounds • A Polar Expedition • Iceberg Float	Catching Fish	Tip of the Iceberg
Thursday January 15	Letter N Sensory Exploration, Number 12 Piece	Why Are Our Polar Regions Important? • Snow to Water • Fast Swimmers • Syllable Count	Polar Movements	Northern Lights, Part 1
Friday January 16	Letter N Journal, White on White	What Have You Learned About Polar Regions and Polar Animals? • True or False? • Polar Pals Read-Aloud Review • Snow Cones	My Polar Pet	Northern Lights, Part 2
Theme 2 • Tinker Time				
Monday January 19	N Is for Nest, Walk the Octagon	What Is Tinkering? • Learning New Skills Character Counts Story • Featured Books for Tinker Time	Tinker Lab • Busy Hands	Graph Paper Designs
Tuesday January 20	Letter O Sound Introduction, Number 12 Counting Card	What Tools Can Be Used for Tinkering? • Fix It • Tinker Time Theme Book • Tinkering Tools LCM	Geometric Drawing	My Toolbox
Wednesday January 21	Letter O Name and Grapheme Introduction, Number 12 Journal	What Jobs Include Tinkering? • Magnet Magic • Characteristics of Nonfiction • Car Repair Shop	Connected Constructions	O Is for Octopus
Thursday January 22	Building Letter O, Comparing Papers	What Is a Science Experiment? • Growing Salt Crystals, Part 1 • Step by Step • Symmetry with Mirrors and Loose Parts • Super Science Demonstration	–	Cotton Ball Splat
Friday January 23	Letter O Sensory Exploration, Fill in the Numerals	What Is Technology? • Technology Is Cool! • A Poetry Reading • Exploring Weight	Shutterbugs	Riveting Robot
Monday January 26	Letter O Journal, Stop!	What Are Motion and Speed? • Growing Salt Crystals, Part 2 • What Can You Do with a Small Box? • Exploring Viscous Fluids	Cars and Ramps	Paper Strip Collage
Tuesday January 27	On and Off, Colored Snow	What Are Energy and Electricity? • Parmesan Topping for Toast • The Critical Eye • Making Toast • Look for Lights	–	Kaleidoscope of Color
Wednesday January 28	Glass Bead Letters, Dividing Manipulatives	What Are Light and Sound? • Making Shadows • What Can You Do with a Large Box? • Slinky Moves • Communication Station	–	Pokey Prints
Thursday January 29	Foil Writing, Connect a Shape	What Is an Invention? • Brain Exploration • Creating Characters • Take It Apart	Invent an Obstacle Course	Imagination Creation
Friday January 30	Words in a Sentence, Hidden Colors	What Have You Learned About Tinkering? • Making Bubbles • Tinker Time Read-Aloud Review • Help Conserve	Roller Derby	Runaway Paints

