

(Here are **family-friendly, low-stress activities** families can do while students are out due to snow. These work well for **all grade levels** and don't require special supplies.)

At-Home Family Activities

(No Tech or Low Tech)

Learning + Fun

- **Family Read-Aloud Time** – Take turns reading or listening to books or audiobooks
 - **Sight Word Snowball Toss** – Write sight words on paper, crumple, toss, and read
 - **Math in the Kitchen** – Measure ingredients, double a recipe, or budget a grocery list
 - **Journaling or Drawing** – “My Snow Day Story” or “If I Controlled the Weather...”
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Games & Bonding

- **Board Game or Card Game Night** (Uno, Spades, Go Fish, Chess)
 - **Family Trivia Night** – Create questions about family history or favorite shows
 - **Puzzle Challenge** – Work on one puzzle together throughout the day
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Creative Time

- **DIY Art Station** – Drawing, painting, or crafting with household items
 - **Build-It Challenge** – Use cups, boxes, or Legos to build a snow fort or city
 - **Music & Movement** – Dance breaks or a family talent show
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Outdoor (Weather-Safe Options)

- **Snow Observation Walk** – Talk about weather, trees, and animals
 - **Snow Art** – Draw shapes or letters in the snow
 - **Snowman Math** – Count snowballs, compare sizes, or estimate height
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Social-Emotional & Life Skills

- **Family Check-In Circle** – Share highs/lows of the week
 - **Gratitude Snowflakes** – Write one thing you're thankful for on paper snowflakes
 - **Life Skills Day** – Cooking, folding laundry, organizing backpacks
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Optional Screen-Based (Intentional Use)

Top Educational Streaming & Networks

- **PBS Kids:** Known for research-based, age-appropriate content (*Sesame Street, Alma's Way*).
- **Netflix:** Offers a wide selection of original educational content (*StoryBots, Ada Twist*).
- **Nick Jr.:** Features popular, interactive shows (*PAW Patrol, Bubble Guppies*).
- **YouTube:** Hosts educational channels like *Blippi* and *Ms. Rachel*.

Key Focus Areas of Educational TV

- **Social-Emotional:** *Daniel Tiger's Neighborhood, Bear in the Big Blue House*.
- **Science & Nature:** *Wild Kratts, Dinosaur Train, Nature Cat*.
- **Literacy & Reading:** *Super Why!, Between the Lions, Reading Rainbow*.
- **Math & Logic:** *Numberblocks, Cyberchase*.