There are so many ways to help with literacy during the holiday season! Give the gift of descriptive words! Instead of cold snow... it’s CRISP and BRISK and FROSTY! On a cold day, make reading time a special time. Cozy up to the fireplace, snuggle under a blanket. At dinner time, talk about the traditional foods you share! Sing! Most of all - have fun!

**BABY**

- Point out all the beautiful lights that are everywhere. Talk about the colors.
- Touch the needles or branches of trees. Feel their poky ends. Smell them.

**TODDLER**

- Find a favorite holiday song. Sing it often. Shake toy bells or rattles to the beat!
- Play a guessing game. Try to guess what is inside a box by looking, shaking and listening.

**PRESCHOOLERS**

- Find a simple family recipe to make. Write a grocery list together. Then measure, mix, roll, or knead the dough. Don’t forget the SPRINKLES!
- Countdown to a special holiday with loops of linked paper.

**DO**

These are pictures of things that everyone shares this season. Look all around you. Can you find all of them?

**SIGN!**

**CANDLE**

Open one hand and wiggle your fingers. This is the fire. Use the pointer finger of the other hand to make the stem of the candle.