

Holiday Word Challenge

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Basic Directions:

This challenging word game can be completed by individuals or by students working in pairs.

Distribute the printable on the next page and have students cut out the letters at the bottom. Ask them to move the letters around to form the words that fit each clue. If you use this as a partner activity, assign partners in advance and give one worksheet to each pair. Have students take turns making and recording words as they discuss the riddles. The answers can be completed in any order. Allow students to use other sources such as dictionaries, encyclopedias, and internet searches to find the answers to the word riddles, but remind them that the words have to be created from the letters in Winter Holidays. The answers on the answer key are possible solutions; additional answers may fit the clues. Allow all acceptable answers.

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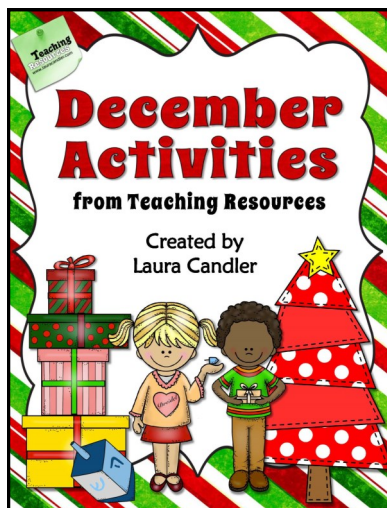
Solve the riddle by using only the letters in "Winter Holidays" to find a word for each definition. Cut out the letters below and use them to help you make words to fit the clue. Work with a partner and take turns finding words and writing them on the lines. Then try to make up your own holiday riddle!

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2. A large cat _____
3. Very thin string _____
4. Edge of the ocean _____
5. Drops of sadness _____
6. Three hundred sixty-five days _____
7. All parts together _____
8. Tall, thin building _____
9. Complaining sound _____
10. A light rain _____
11. To divide equally _____
12. Prepared to start _____
13. To spin rapidly _____
14. Winter color _____
15. Breezy _____

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Extension Activity:

When students have found all answers, ask them to create their own word clues. Suggest that they start by making a word with the letters in Winter Holidays and then creating a mystery phrase as a clue. Have them post their clues on a chalkboard, poster, or whiteboard for their classmates to solve. Or allow them to submit the clues to you for you to compile and distribute.



This activity is similar to seasonal activities included in Laura Candler's December Activities Pack available from www.teacherspayteachers.com. Visit Teaching Resources at www.lauracandler.com for more free and inexpensive lesson ideas and activities.



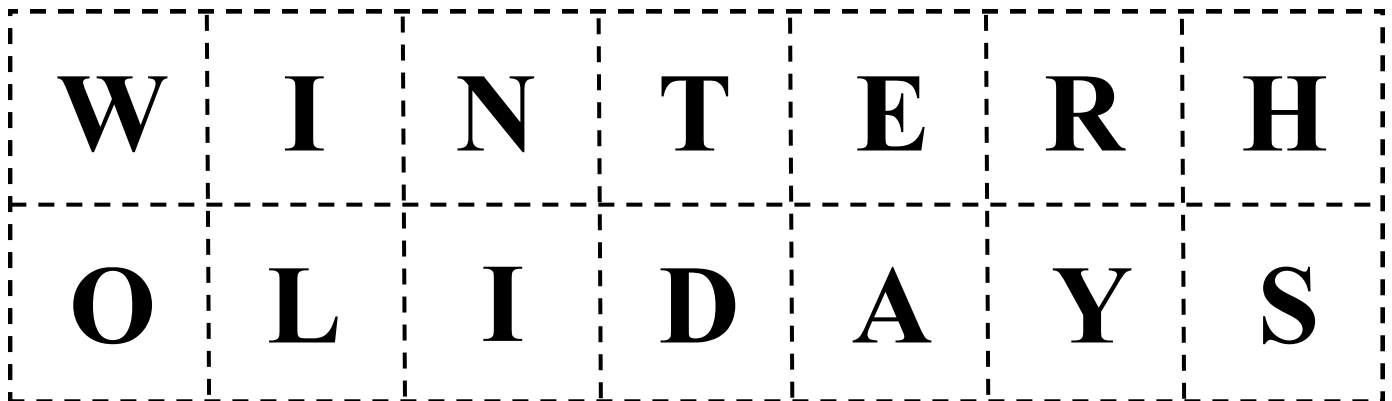
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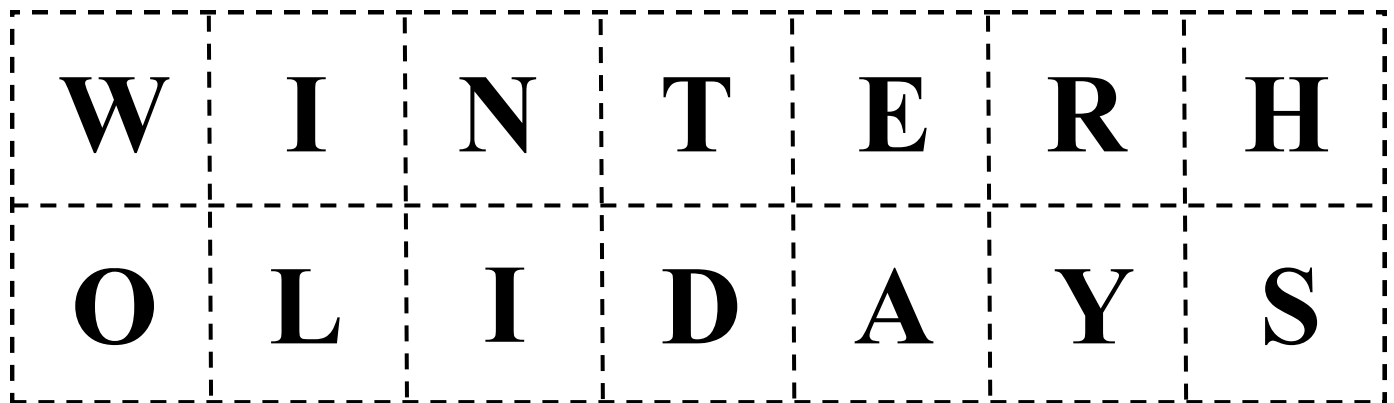




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Answer Key

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|----------------------------------|--------|
| 1. Item of clothing | shirt |
| 2. A large cat | lion |
| 3. Very thin string | thread |
| 4. Edge of the ocean | shore |
| 5. Drops of sadness | tears |
| 6. Three hundred sixty-five days | year |
| 7. All parts together | whole |
| 8. Tall, narrow building | tower |
| 9. Complaining sound | whine |
| 10. A light rain | shower |
| 11. To divide equally | share |
| 12. Prepared to start | ready |
| 13. To spin rapidly | twirl |
| 14. Winter color | white |
| 15. Breezy | windy |





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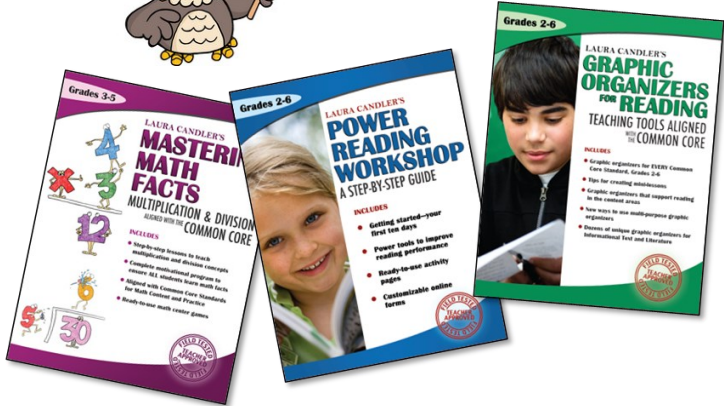
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