

Woodland Winter Warm-Up

These sleepy woodland animals have woken up early from their winter sleep! Make them a comfy bed to help them drift off back to sleep until the spring.

Equipment

Cardboard/tissue/paper to be recycled/bubble wrap etc.

Box/tub

Pens/pencil crayons/crayons/paint

Optional: other craft materials for decoration

Optional: soft toys or figures

Vocabulary

Core – again, bad, close, different, do, don't, down, feel, get, go, good, happy, help, I, in, it, like, little, look, make, me, mine, more, my, off, on, open, out, put, take, that, want, what, you

Fringe – bear, hedgehog, mouse, dress, sleep, hot, cold

What to do

1. First draw and cut out your hibernating woodland animals (e.g. bear, hedgehog, dormouse). You can also use soft toys/figures for this part and skip this step
2. Make some clothes for the animals using paper or other craft materials (e.g. hat, scarf and gloves)
3. Put torn up pieces of paper/cardboard/tissue or bubble wrap into a box to make a nice cosy bed.
4. Have fun chatting about dressing up your animals and placing them into their beds for a cosy sleep before the spring!

NB – This activity can be adapted depending on the ability of the individual you are supporting. If an individual needs a high-level of physical support this can be provided. Alternatives to drawing and cutting could include directing others. Make sure to accept **any** way someone chooses to communicate.

You might want to have fun with some of the features on your AAC device such as programming animal noises, pictures or videos, the whiteboard feature or using visual scenes.

If you need any support to program any of the above ideas onto your AAC device, please contact your local consultant!

Sentence Ideas

1WL – close, feel, out, put, take, that, open, on

2WL – open that, take out, put on, feel good

3WL - take that out, put that on, you take off

Language Functions

Requesting – want on, want it different

Directing – let's do it, take that off, put it on

Commenting – it feels happy, it looks good

Refusing – no more, stop that, don't do it

Interjecting – oops! Good morning!

Generalisation

You could also use these example words and phrases to model language during your morning or evening routine when getting dressed for the morning or putting on pyjamas before bed.

Step 1



Step 2



Step 3

