

The Snowball

I made three perfect snowballs, They were big and smooth and round. I threw the first one at a tree It made a funny sound!

I took the second snowball, Tossed it in the air. When it almost hit Ruthie's head. She said "QUIT IT OVER THERE!"

"I'm sorry," I said to Ruthie. But she turned her head away. So I gave her my third snowball, Hoping she would stay.

Ruthie took the snowball And made a sneaky smile. "I have a cool idea," she said. "Let's keep it for a while."

We ran inside and found a plate To put the snowball on. "It's 9 o'clock," said Ruthie, "Will it melt and soon be gone?"

We played a game of hide-and-seek And found a silver dollar. When we came back at 10 o'clock The snowball looked much smaller.

After that we read a book And took Ruthie's dog for a walk. The next time we saw our ball of snow, It was exactly 12 o'clock.

We drew pictures until one And climbed our favorite tree. When we ran to see our snowball It was no bigger than a pea!

Next we ate a snack And practiced tying shoes. We forgot about our snowball— By then it was half past two.

"I'm afraid to look," cried Ruthie. But it was just too late. There was nothing left of our snowball, But a puddle on a plate.

So now we have no snowball. It's gone, to our great sorrow. Perhaps we'll make another And let it melt again tomorrow!

Name:			
Date:			



One morning in December, Ruthie and I went out to play.

	It snowed the night before; School was canceled for the day.			
Notes:				





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Max's Challenge:

In one hour — between 9 and 10 o'clock — Max and Ruthie play a game of hide-and-seek and find a silver dollar. What can you do in an hour?

Keep a log below of the activities you do in one hour and how many minutes each activity takes.



Activity	Minutes





Name:		
Date: —		

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Draw the big and little hands in the clocks below to show what time Max and Ruthie did each of their activities.



