The Main Idea Strategy: Student Practice Lessons

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**Have You Seen Frosty?**

I love winter, especially building a snowman. In case you live somewhere where there isn’t any snow, let me tell you how. First, make a snowball by picking up a handful of snow and packing it tightly together. Then, put the snowball down and roll it on the snow that has fallen on the ground. The snowball will get larger. Continue rolling until the snowball has gathered enough snow to make it as big as you want the head of the snowman to be. Make sure to take any pieces of grass or mulch out of the head, so your snowman looks better.

Next, make another snowball like the first one. Make sure this second snowball is larger than the first one. This second, larger snowball will become the torso or middle of the snowman.

Make a third snowball that is even bigger than the first two. This will be for the base of the snowman. Be sure that that this third snowball is even larger the second snowball. When you are finished making the third and largest snowball, carefully stack the second snowball on top of the third one, then put the first snowball on top of the second.

After that, find two twigs or small tree branches for the snowman’s arms. Be sure that they are about the same length and do not weigh too much. Carefully stick them a few inches into sides of the middle of the snowman. Then find some dark rocks, buttons, or coal to make two eyes for the snowman. Arrange some more rocks, buttons, or coal on the head of the snowman in the shape of the letter ‘u’ in order to make the mouth. Find a carrot and stick it into the center of face to make the snowman’s nose.

The last step is to find a scarf, hat, or jacket to use for the snowman’s clothes. You probably should use old clothes because they will eventually get wet. Place the clothes in the appropriate places on the snowman. Now you have your own Frosty, Joe, or Susanna Snowman. Or Snowwoman.

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