

Office Hours:  
8:00-11:30 a.m. (M-F)  
1:00-4:30 p.m. (M-Th)  
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January 2026



### Snow Trivia

Snow isn't white---it's clear. It just looks white because light bounces around all those ice crystals.

A single snowflake can have up to 200 ice crystals.

Snow keeps animals cozy. It is 95% air, so it traps heat and makes the perfect winter blanket.

The world's largest snowflake was 15 inches wide and 8 inches thick.

"Thundersnow" is a real thing. It is when lightning and thunder crash during a blizzard.

Fresh snowfall actually absorbs sound. This is why the world feels so calm after a big snowfall.

Frost is not snow. Frost is made from water that was already on the ground.

Light and fluffy snow is often called "powder".

# West Plains Housing Authority



### Reminders from the Office

- Smoking reminder! You should be at least 25 feet from your dwelling when smoking. Please do not throw cigarette butts in the yard.
- Remember to take the proper precautions to avoid frozen pipes this winter. Leave a trickle of water running in sinks, open cabinet doors under sinks, leave heat on, and be sure your water hoses are disconnected from faucets.

*Celebrate endings—for they precede new beginnings.*

-----Jonathan Huie

### Dates to Remember:

- Thursday, January 8<sup>th</sup> is the last day to pay rent without a penalty. Payments may be left in the drop box any time.
- WPHA offices will be closed on Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup> for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

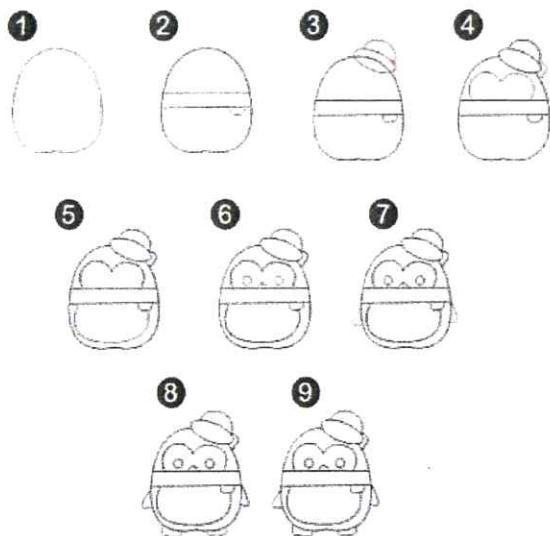


*"Daddy, how much snow does it take to close a school? I need to know whether to do my homework."*

### WPHA Staff

**Mandy**, Executive Director / HR  
**Brenda**, Deputy Director  
**Stacie**, Housing Specialist  
**Desirae**, Housing Clerk  
**Sandra**, Section 8 Coordinator  
**Nina**, Financial Operations Specialist  
**Jerry**, Resident Initiative Coordinator

## HOW TO DRAW PENGUIN



## Winter Word Search



Gingerbread  
Cookies  
Icicle  
Boots

Fireplace  
Snowman  
Winter  
Frozen

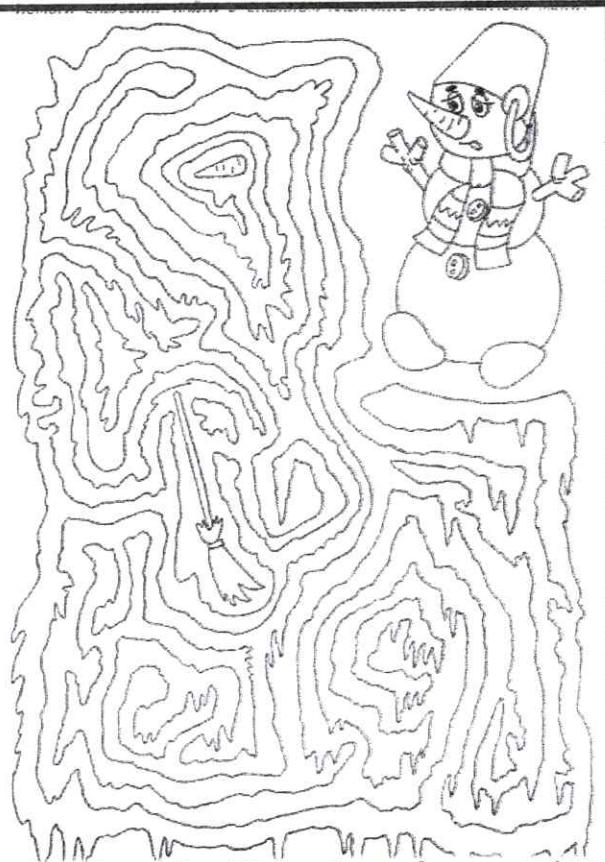
Blizzard  
Mittens  
Cocoa  
Scarf

Sled  
Cold  
Ice  
Hat

## Nacho Potato Soup

1 package (5-1/4 ounces) au gratin potatoes  
1 can (11 ounces) whole kernel corn, drained  
1 can (10 ounces) diced tomatoes and green chiles, undrained  
2 cups water  
2 cups 2% milk  
2 cups cubed Velveeta  
Dash hot pepper sauce, optional

In a 3-qt. saucepan, combine the contents of potato package, corn, tomatoes and water. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat; cover and simmer for 15-18 minutes or until potatoes are tender. Add the milk, cheese and hot pepper sauce if desired; cook and stir until the cheese is melted.

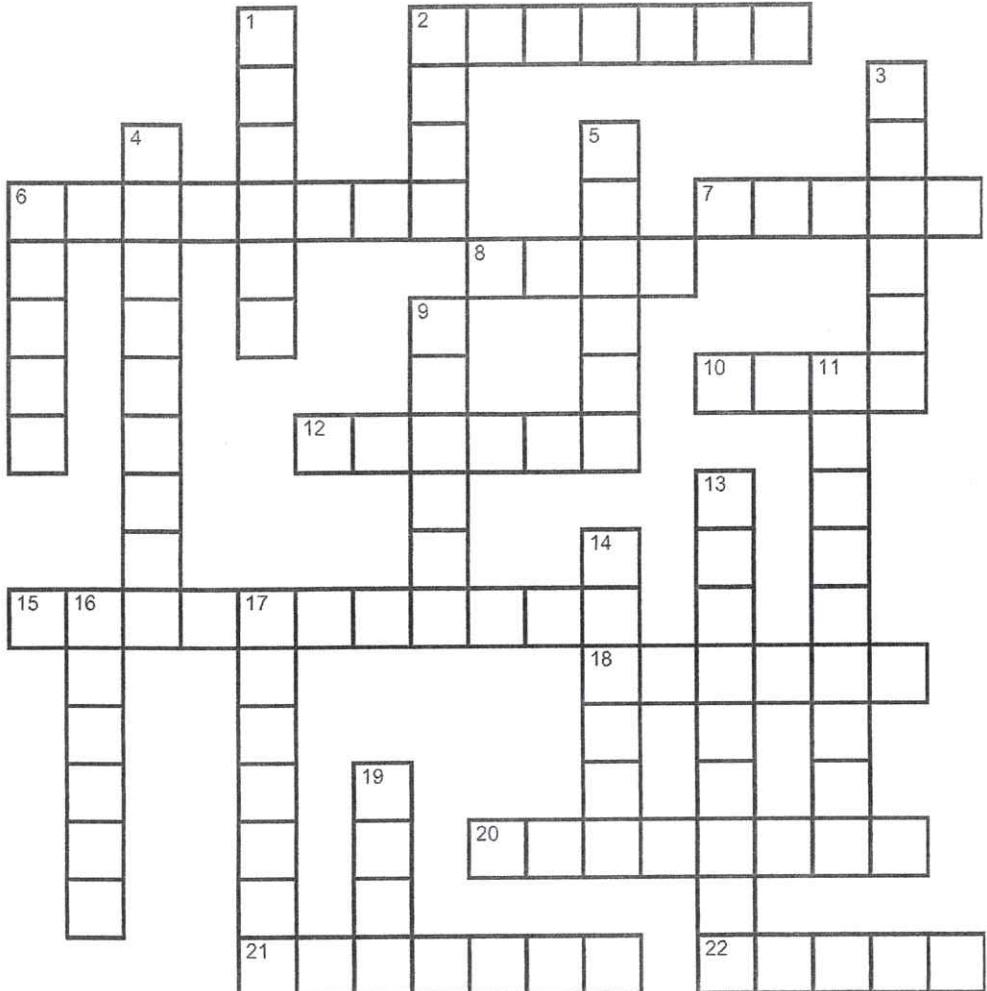


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# Winter Crossword

Across

2. Knitted top.
6. Snowstorm with winds.
7. Month that winter ends in.
8. When the air moves.
10. A sudden blast of wind.
12. Shake from the cold.
15. Tells you how cold it is outside.
18. Rather cold.
20. Month that winter starts in.
21. He might have a carrot for a nose.
22. Keeps you neck warm.



Down

1. Turned into ice.
2. It goes downhill fast.
3. A short coat.
4. What bears do in the winter.
5. Opposite of summer.
6. Shoes for snowy days.
9. Frozen trickle of water.
11. Ice crystal.
13. December 25th.
14. Area around the North Pole.
16. Used to warm a room.
17. Winter hand warmers.
19. Temperature (in Celsius) at which water freezes.



Arctic, Blizzard, Boots, Chilly, Christmas, December, Frozen, Gust, Heater, Hibernate, Icicle, Jacket, March, Mittens, Scarf, Shiver, Sled, Snowflake, Snowman, Sweater, Thermometer, Wind, Winter, Zero

DIRECTIONS:  
Find and circle the vocabulary words in the grid. Look for them in all directions including backwards and diagonally.

BLIZZARD

COLD

DRIFT

FLURRY

FROSTY

FROZEN

ICE CRYSTAL

ICE SKATE

ICEBERG

# It's Snow Time

## Word Search

Q	X	Z	J	E	X	Z	V	D	M	W	H	J	D	H	A	S	I	J	D	
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ICICLE

SLIPPERY

IGLOO

SNOW FORT

MELT

SNOWBALL

PACK

SNOWBOARD

PLOW

SNOWMAN

POWDER

STICKY

SHOVEL

SUB-ZERO

SKI

WHITE

SLED