

Activity Plan**Theme:** Christmas

25th december

Letter of the week: b

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Activity 1 (Art Room)	Hand print Christmas tree	Make salt dough Christmas decorations with hole for string.	Wrapping presents	Making red cinnamon play dough.	Paint and decorate salt dough decorations.
Activity 2 (Language Lab)	Focused reading time. Choose 1 story together with the children.	English letter of the week H h	Cooking for the holidays. Cooking role play in role playroom.	Hebrew letter of the week	Guess what is in the present? Have presents and describe what is inside, the children guess (listen/feel/...)
Activity 3 (Maths/Science room)	Number carpet number matching (pick a card and stand on the number)	Making snow with baking powder and shaving foam	Shapes: different shaped presents: what's the shape of my present?	Sense of smell: Oranges with cloves	Categorising objects according to shape and size
Activity 4 (Gym)	Reindeer races "dashing through the snow"	Obstacle course: bringing present (bean bags) to the chimney (bucket)	Dancing to Christmas music	Body rolling	Making music with Jingle Bells and dancing around with the bells
Activity 5 Cooking	Lemon cake	Cinnamon carrot cookies	Applesauce cake	Banana bread	Challah
Circle time	Christmas discussion, what are you thankful for? What makes you happy?	Singing circle, singing different Christmas songs	Music lesson	Guess the word: Singing familiar songs and leaving out words.	Drama: acting out Christmas day

Salt dough

- 1 cup salt
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 1 cup luke warm water

Directions

1. In a large bowl mix salt and flour.
2. Gradually stir in water. Mix well until it forms a doughy consistency.
3. With your hands form a ball with your dough and kneed it for at least 5 minutes. The longer you kneed your dough the smoother it will be.

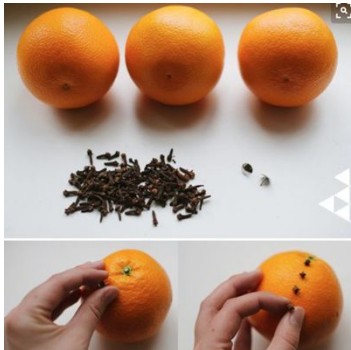
Store your salt dough in a air tight container and you will be able to use it for days.

You can **paint** your creations with acrylic paints and seal with varnish or polyurethane spray.

You can let your salt dough creations air dry, however salt dough can also be dried in the oven. **Bake** at 200 F until your creation is dry. The amount of time needed to bake your creations depends on size and thickness; thin flat ornaments may only take 45-60 minutes, thicker creations can take 2-3 hours or more. You can increase your oven temperature to 350 F, your dough will dry faster but it may also brown, which won't matter if you are painting your entire creation (you can also cover your dough in the oven before it turns brown).

to colour your salt dough: 1. Add powdered tempera paint to your flour

Hand print chanukiah



Orange with cloves



Hand print Christmas tree