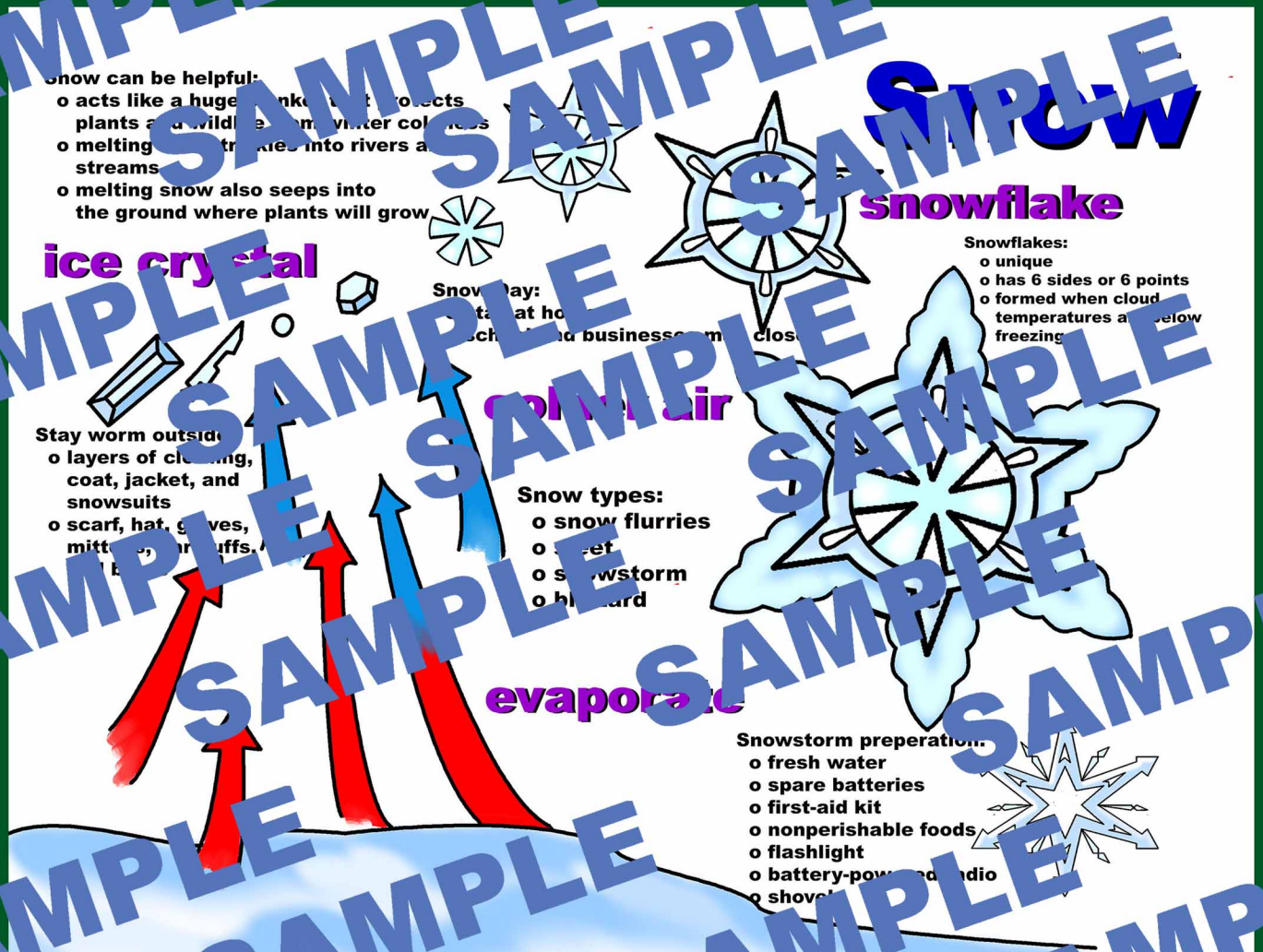


# Close Reading

Plus Writing Activities

## It's Snowing! By Gail Gibbons



Teaching Weather science through

Reading, Comprehension, Vocabulary,

Posters, and Reflection

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# Getting Started: Snow Close Reading

## 1. It is suggested to get the following items ready.

Items needed	Teacher	Student
The Book <u>It's Snowing!</u> by Gail Gibbons	V	
Lesson Plan	V	
Vocab Poster	V *Teacher can blow the original black and white sample into a poster.	
Info Organizer	V	V
Blank Paper for Drawing on Day 1	V	V
1 Reading Passage	V	V
1 Text Dependent Questions Set	V	V
Vocab	V	V
1 Snow Black Line Drawing 1 Snow Black Line Drawing with labels	V	
1 Snow Color Drawing 1 Snow Color Drawing with labels	* Teacher can blow the original black and white sample into a poster and color it.	* Students may create the poster in groups by using teacher's sample. . It makes a great open house project.
Teacher Finished Sample Package: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Snow Color Drawing with labels</li> <li>• Vocab Poster with Post-it notes</li> <li>• Info Organizer completed</li> <li>• 1 Reading Passage with marks</li> <li>• 1 Text Dependent Questions Set with answers</li> <li>• Vocab Sheet with answers</li> <li>• 1 Sample Writing</li> </ul>	* I for you to read easily. In real time, you are going to hand write to model for your students.	
Sharpie	V	V
Crayon/Markers	V	V
Post-It	*	

V: must, \*: optional

2. Read the lesson plan.
3. Look at the finished sample works included.
4. Photocopy 5 page package (1 Empty page, 1 Info Organizer, 1 Reading Passage, 1 Text Dependent Questions Set, and 1 Vocab Sheet) for students. Make an extra set for the teacher to use.
5. The lesson is designed as cross curriculum among ELA, Science/Weather/Snowing, and Fine Arts using close reading and GLAD strategies.



Snow can be helpful:

- o acts like a huge blanket that protects plants and wildlife from winter coldness
- o melting snow trickles into rivers and streams
- o melting snow also seeps into the ground where plants will grow

ice crystals

Snow Day:

- o stay at home
- o school and businesses may close

colder air

Snow types:

- o snow flurries
- o sleet
- o snowstorm
- o blizzard

evaporate

Stay warm outside:

- o layers of clothing, coat, jacket, and snowsuits
- o scarf, hat, gloves, mittens, earmuffs, and boots

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- o has 6 sides or 6 points
- o formed when cloud temperatures are below freezing

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