

# ***World of Wonder***

## **Educational Standards and Suggested Activities**

Release week January 5, 2014: SNOWMEN AND ICE CASTLES

### **Standards**

- Current Events: Students will read and report on cold weather and winter-related current events.
- Art: Students will design and create their own snowmen.
- Science: Students will research and explain snow as an insulator.

### **Activities**

1. Use the News: What winter activities and current events are happening as reported in your newspaper? Look for events that specifically have to do with the winter season or cold weather. Write a summary of the information or orally share what you find with the class.
2. How creative are you? Test your artistic abilities by creating a snowman of your own. If you don't have snow in your area, you could make small snowman sculptures out of modeling clay. You could think of a theme or even make a caricature of a famous person.
3. Ice and snow are cold materials, so how could snow be a good insulator? What is an "insulator"? After you define the word, research and write an explanation for the idea that snow is a good insulator. Can you find an example of snow as an insulator?

*World of Wonder* meets many state educational standards. This guide helps teachers identify standards and related activities generally intended for grade 6, but teachers can modify activities to the appropriate grade.