

BLUE BUCKS

ADVENTURES

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MAKE YOUR OWN BLUE BUCKS SNOWMAN

Hey, kids, so you want to build a snowman? Here's what you'll need:

- Styrofoam balls - small, medium & large - approximately 2 1/4", 2 3/4" & 3 3/4" each. You can find these in variety packs at most craft stores.
- Black construction paper
- White poster board or card stock
- Small twigs from a tree
- Toothpicks
- White glue
- Scissors

Take your styrofoam balls and make flat spots on opposite sides of all three. You can do this by pressing two of them together and twisting back-and-forth. This will help them fit better. Next, take the large ball and add a little white glue to where you made one of the flat spots. Then, stick a toothpick into the medium ball where you made a flat spot. Press the flat spots of both balls together, so the toothpick and glue meet. Repeat these steps, gluing the small ball on top of the medium ball. While you let that dry, take the included insert and cut out all of your snowman's parts. Cut as close as you can to the snowman's face, but it's O.K. to leave a little white space. Next, cut a 3"



circle out of the black construction paper for the brim of the hat. For the base, cut an irregular, circular shape out of the poster board or card stock that's about 6" in diameter. Now, form the blue hat part into a cylinder, add a little glue to the white tab and glue the two short ends together. Fold the small tabs inward, add small dabs of glue to each one and place in the center of the black construction paper circle. Set aside to dry. Take the twigs and cut them down to about 3". Put a dab of glue on the end of each one and glue just the end to the backs of the mittens. Set these aside to dry, too. Once everything is dry, take the long scarf part and wrap it around the snowman's neck. Add a dab of glue to the white tab and glue the other end on top of it, making sure the scarf isn't too loose. Using the photo as a guide, glue on the other part of the scarf, the face and the hat. Add a dab of glue to the ends of the arms and stick them into the body. Once everything has set up a little, glue the snowman to the center of the base, and you're done!

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Hey there, Blue Bucks pals! I hope you had a great start to 2017! Your old pal Milo is doing well, and so are my Blue Bucks friends, Fancy, Chloe, Penny and Earnie. We've all had our sleds ready to speed through some fluffy snow on a cold winter's day, but we haven't seen too many flakes this winter!

If you're like us and have been waiting to build a snowman, we thought we'd use this issue of Blue Bucks Adventures to show you how to do it without any snowflakes falling from the sky. Just follow the directions and we'll guarantee your snowman will never melt!

In other fun news, with Read Across America Day on March 2nd, make sure you take time out to read one of your favorite books with friends or family. Reading is so much fun. You can read great stories and use your imagination. You can also learn fun facts about places, people, animals or anything else that interests you. Happy reading, and keep saving in your Blue Bucks account!

Until next time!

Milo



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