

# 2023 Holiday Countdown

## Supplies you'll need

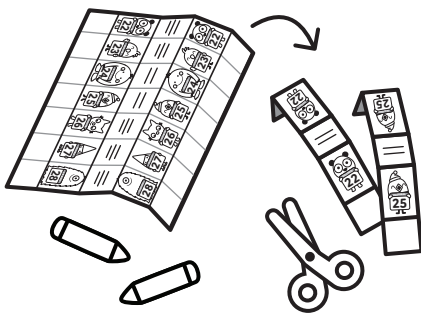


## What is a calendar's favorite treat?

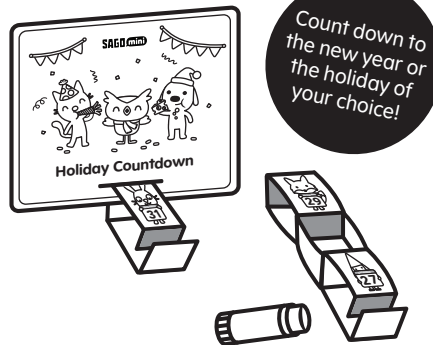
Dates.

A countdown chain helps little ones visually see the passing of time when anticipating a special day by removing one chain link a day.

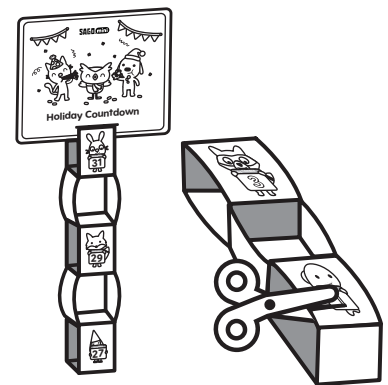
## Instructions



**1. Print, color, fold and cut**  
Print out the activity and color it in. Fold pieces along the gray lines, and cut out along the dotted lines.



**2. Assemble the countdown**  
Starting with "Dec. 31", glue strip into a chain link through header. Feed the next strip through the link, and glue it in place, etc.



**3. Using the countdown**  
Hang the countdown chain up on a wall. For each day that goes by, remove one chain link until you reach the end!

HEADER

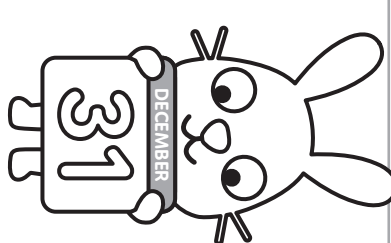


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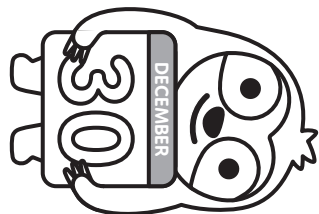
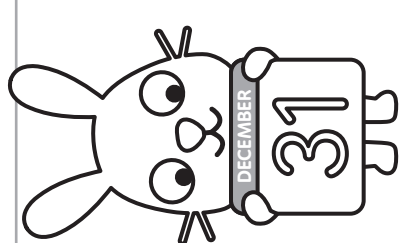
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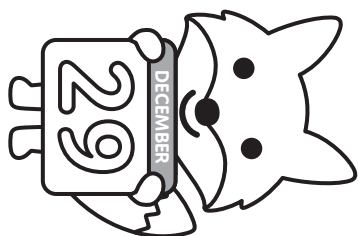
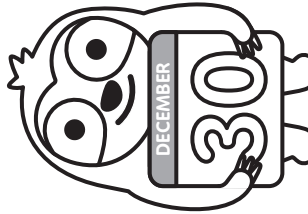
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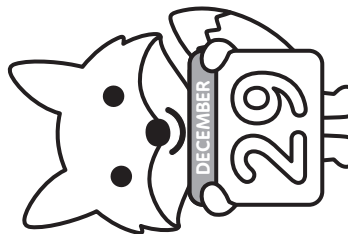
**New Year's Eve**



**Thought prompt:**  
What are you looking forward to in the new year?



**Fortune:**  
Next year is looking very bright! Be sure to wear sunglasses.



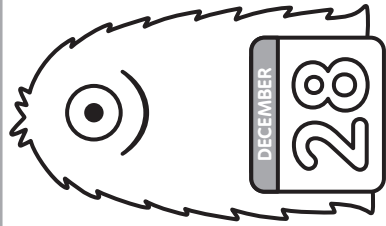
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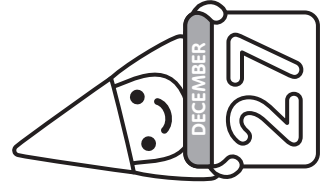
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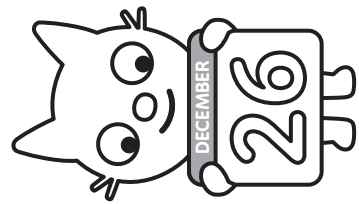
**Joke:**  
**Q:** What is a cow's favorite holiday?  
**A:** Moo Year's Eve

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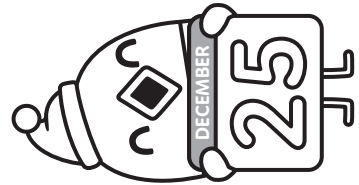
**Thought prompt:**  
One of the best parts of this year was...

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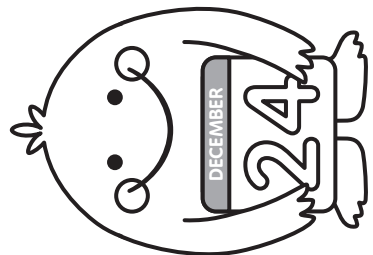
**Happy Kwanzaa**  
(Dec 26 - Jan 1)

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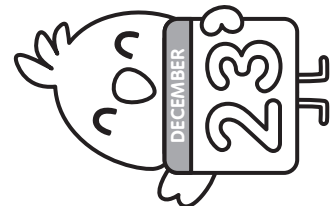
**Merry Christmas**

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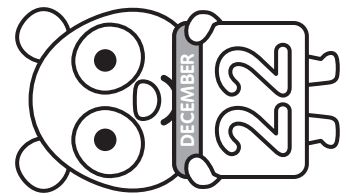
**Christmas Eve**

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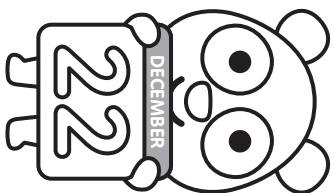
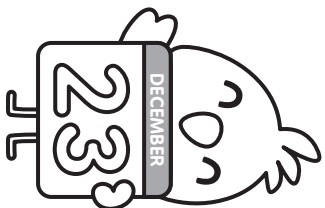
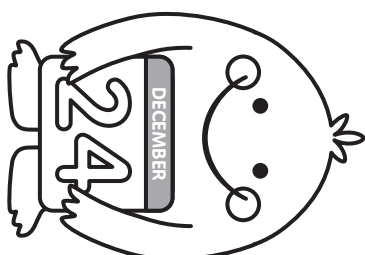
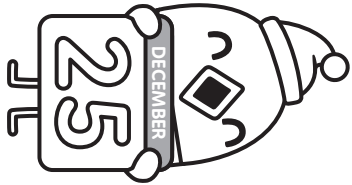
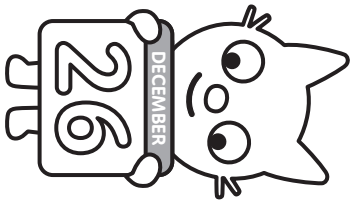
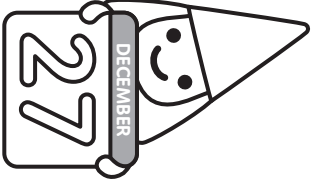
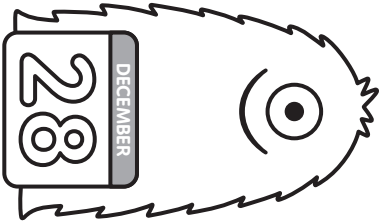
**Activity idea:**  
Curl up and read your favorite holiday storybook.

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**Joke:**  
**Q:** What is Harvey's favorite snack to eat in the winter?  
**A:** A chilly cheese dog.

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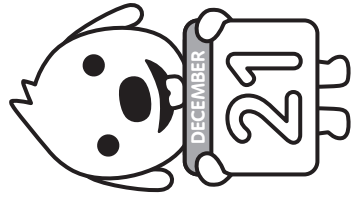


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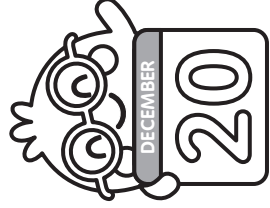
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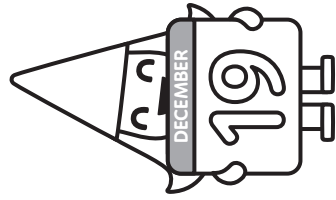
**Thought prompt:**  
Describe a fun memory from last year's holiday.

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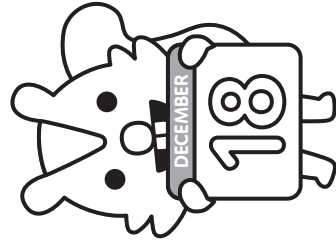
**Activity idea:**  
Sing your favorite holiday song or make up your own!

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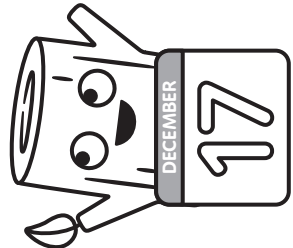
**Joke:**  
Q: What do you call a penguin in a desert?  
A: Lost!

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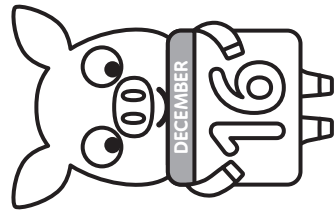
**Joke:**  
Q: What kind of robots like cold weather?  
A: Snow-bots.

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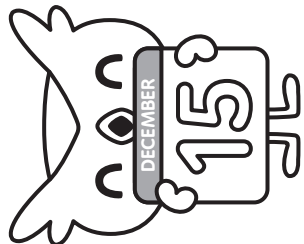
**Activity idea:**  
Bake a special holiday treat!

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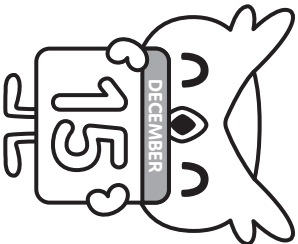
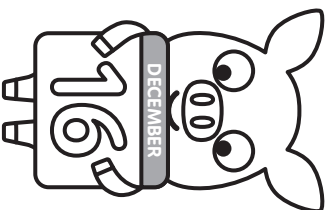
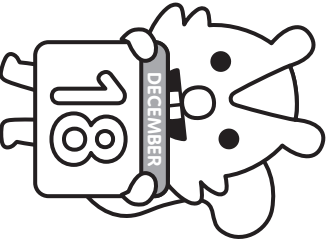
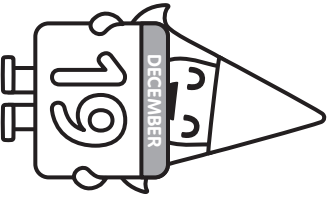
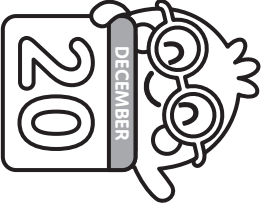
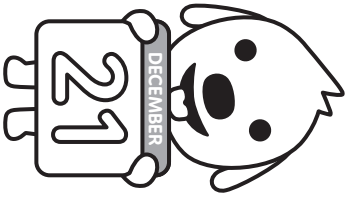
**Joke:**  
Q: What do yetis put in their salads?  
A: Iceberg lettuce.

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**Joke:**  
Q: How do polar bears like to relax on weekends?  
A: They just chill.

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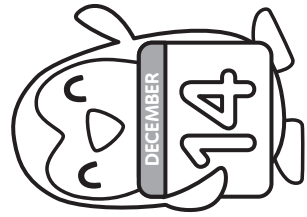


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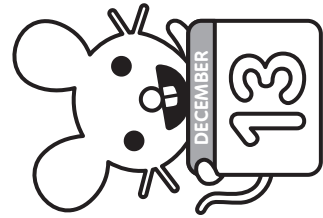
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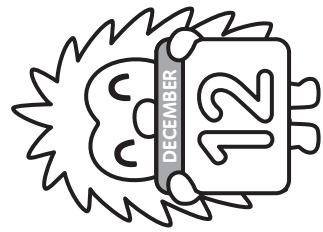
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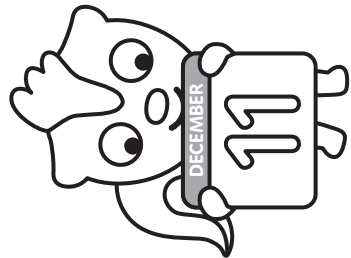
**Art prompt:**  
Draw a picture of what you like to do during the holidays.



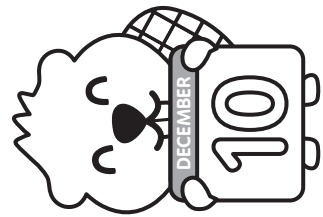
**Activity idea:**  
Throw a holiday party with your toys and stuffies.



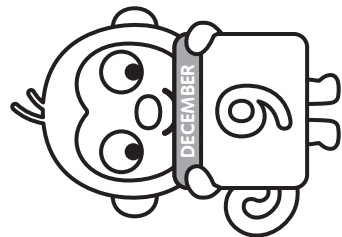
**Joke:**  
**Q:** Where do penguins store their money?  
**A:** A snow bank.



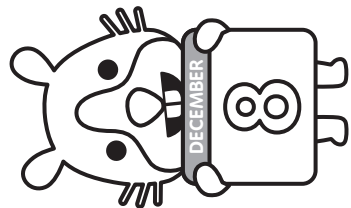
**Thought prompt:**  
What's your favorite thing to eat during the holidays?



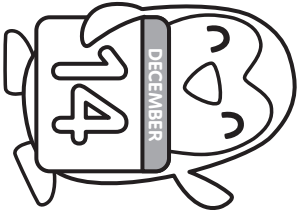
**Art prompt:**  
Create some holiday decorations.



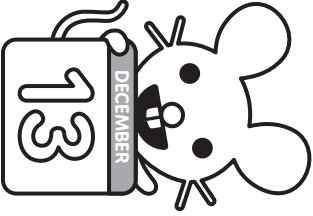
**Joke:**  
**Q:** What did one icicle say to another when they met?  
**A:** It's ice to meet you!



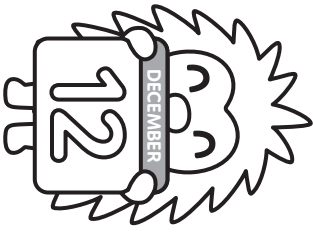
**Riddle:**  
**Q:** What kind of ball doesn't bounce?  
**A:** A snowball.



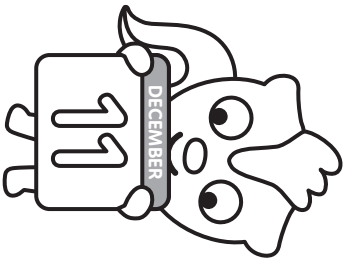
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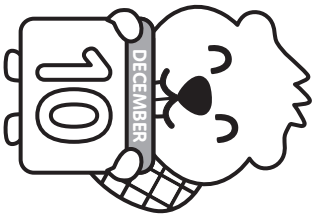
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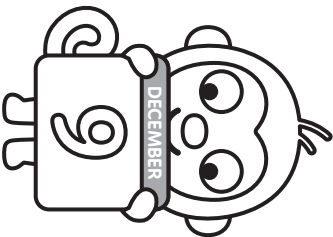
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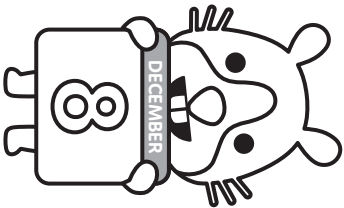
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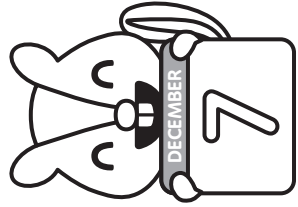
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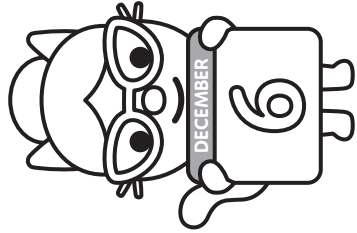


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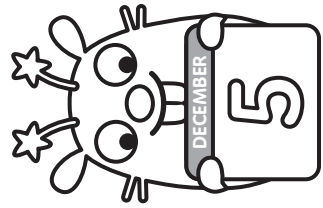
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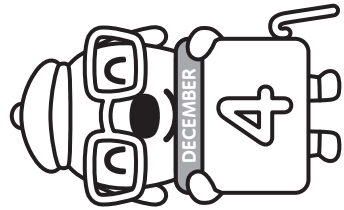
**Happy Hanukkah**  
(Dec 7 - Dec 15)



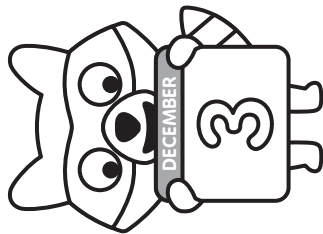
**Thought prompt:**  
What's your favorite holiday tradition?



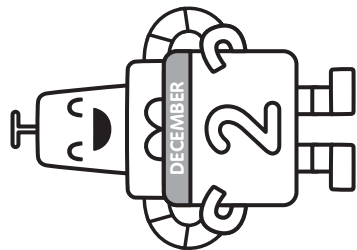
**Joke:**  
**Q:** Why did the elf get an A+?  
**A:** She knew the whole Elfabet.



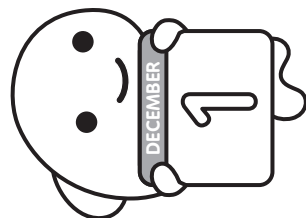
**Riddle:**  
**Q:** What falls from up high but doesn't get hurt?  
**A:** Snow.



**Art prompt:**  
Create a holiday card for someone special.



**Joke:**  
**Q:** Where do polar bears find their cookie recipes?  
**A:** On the winter-net.



**Thought prompt:**  
Before this year ends, I will...

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