

Winter Break wordless picture book for ESL literacy learners can be used with CLB 1L through 4L since the wording has been left up to you and your students.

CLB 1L students will need for you to elicit from them very short sentences, such as: *We have no school for 2 weeks. Families eat together. They decorate a tree. They bake cookies. Kids go skating.* And so on. Higher levels will want to create longer sentences with richer vocabulary, such as: *Families get together for a big meal.*

Ideas for extension:

Bring in flyers from Canadian Tire and look for toboggans, sleds, and helmets. Advise students where on the city they can take kids to go tobogganing. Go over the rules for a given park. For example: sled at your own risk. Children should wear helmets. Advise students of the nearest public skating rink where they can take their children to skate for free. In Windsor, the church across from the rink offers free loan of skates for the day. Look up the hours during which the rink is supervised. When is the concession stand open?

Put students in teams and see who can come up with the longest list of traditional holiday meal items? (Turkey, dressing, potatoes, pumpkin pie...)

Pass out a peer survey graphic organizer (available on my site) and have students ask each other related questions, such as: *Can you skate?* or *What will you do over winter break?*

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