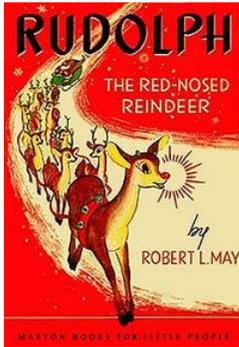


*Celebrate 70 years of  
Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer*



Think of your favorite Christmas song and *Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer* will instantly pop into your mind! Who can forget these moments we sat in front of our television sets as young children and watched the famous cartoon and sang along? Introduce young children to the history of Rudolph, and join in the reindeer fun!

### PROGRAM PLANS

This program will work well for your young listeners, ages 3 and older.

### BOOKS

*Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer* by Robert L. May.

Although the other reindeer laugh at him because of his bright red nose, Rudolph proves his worth when he is chosen to lead Santa Claus's sleigh on a foggy night.

*Olive the Other Reindeer* by Vivian Walsh

Thinking that "all of the other reindeer" she hears people singing about include her, Olive the dog reports to the North Pole to help Santa Claus on Christmas Eve.

### SONGS

What would the program be without singing this traditional holiday favorite? Check out [www.fireworks.com/christmas/rudolph.asp](http://www.fireworks.com/christmas/rudolph.asp) for the history of the song, the legendary lyrics and lots of links to other holiday related activities.

### ACTIVITY

*Nose So Bright*

Nothing can get in the way of stopping Rudolph's shiny red nose from leading Santa and his sleigh...not even a blizzard! Put white tempera paint onto a paper plate. Using the child's "pointer" finger, dip the finger into the paint and then put snowflakes all over the blue sheet of construction paper until the majority of the paper is covered with "snow." For a shimmering effect, sprinkle the paper with crystal clear glitter. The glitter will stick to the wet paint. For the final touch, glue one red pom-pom onto the paper. The children have now created "Rudolph in a blizzard!" His nose is so bright that he will be able to lead Santa's sleigh out of the snow!

Supplies needed:

White tempera paint

8 ½ x 11" blue construction paper

crystal clear glitter

tacky glue

red pom-pom