





January Brainwork



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Your parents give you 1¢ on Jan. 1 st , 2¢ on Jan. 2 nd , 4¢ on Jan. 3 rd , 8¢ on Jan. 4 th . How much money will you have by Jan. 10 th ?	Complete: My wish for the new year is... My teacher's wish for the new year is... My desk's wish for the new year is...	Design a new coin that can only be used in the month of January.	Using a rubber band, a coat hanger, a key, and a CD, create something that would be useful in a kitchen or a classroom.	The pattern is bird, dog, fish, bird, dog, fish... What will the 10 th animal be? What will the 20 th animal be?
What if... * ice cream cones grew on trees? * the moon really was made of cheese?	What is a "muffle-orf"? What is a "burble-gruff"? Draw pictures of these crazy imaginary animals.	January is National Soup Month. Write a recipe for a new kind of soup using at least 6 unusual ingredients.	What makes you "light up" like a neon sign? Make a long list.	January 13 is "National Nothing Day". Visualize yourself "doing nothing" and draw or write about it.
"I am the best month of all!" bragged January to the other eleven months. Why does January think it is so special?	What are the pluses of being a pair of snow boots during a snowstorm? What are the minuses?	How is a family like a deck of cards? In your family's deck, which card are you? Why?	How many different things can you turn this line into? 	The third week in January is Pizza Week. In what ways are you like a pizza?
January 21 is "Squirrel Appreciation Day". Design a card to give to a squirrel to show how much you like him!	January 22 is "National Answer Your Cat's Question Day". If you were a cat, what questions would you ask humans?	What else could you do with a big pink eraser (besides erase)? 	Think of a way to hide an elephant that has left the circus. Draw a picture.	Create a snowman or snowwoman superhero. Draw a picture and write a story.
Make a long list of things that sparkle.	Write a letter to Frosty the Snowman convincing him to come spend a day with you.	How do you think it feels to be a pencil?	If you could be a book, a car or a lunch bag for a day, which would you choose? How would you spend the day?	Are you more like a snowflake or a snowstorm? Why?