This is Ms. Susan from the Shorewood Public Library. I am bringing you snow, snow, snow, you can create inside your house. As you may know, there are no two flakes that are ever exactly the same. This project will take a simple set of lines and turn those lines into beautiful, crystal, snowflakes. The best part about this craft is, there is no such thing as a perfect snowflake, so each one you create will be magical! Make a few and hang them up in the window.

1- On a thick piece of paper draw out several or one very large, snowflake pattern. Just straight lines in a star shape will be good for a young artist. You can fill in open space with dots, dotted all around the page. If you like, add more extensive designs or patterns. Next you will add glue to all the lines of the snowflakes or dots. Do only one at a time, if you have made more than one or have a short amount of time to work. Cut off a tiny corner of the bag of salt and sprinkle on the glue lines. Or pour the salt into a bowl and add a pinch on top of the glue with your fingers. Allow to dry for a few seconds and pour off the excess onto another piece of paper. You can reuse this salt on other snowflakes by pouring it back into the plastic bag.

2- Allow the snowflakes to dry completely. Even overnight might be good. This will be like two art projects- in- one. Add a few drops of water to the paint and dip the Q-tip into the liquid. Dab each snowflake and watch the color melt into the salty snowflake. You can even leave some of your snowflakes white or just the tips for a shadow effect. Let the paint dry and you will have a magical display of snowflakes fluttering on the page!

Have a frosty week!

Ms. Susan