

2 – 4 Year Olds Children’s Meeting

LESSON 26 Winter Animals – Woodchuck (Groundhog)

TEACHERS: pray and read Genesis 1:24-25

OPENING TIME: Songs from Toddler Song Book or others

BIBLE VERSE: “The earth is full of Your creatures.” Psa. 104:24

LESSON

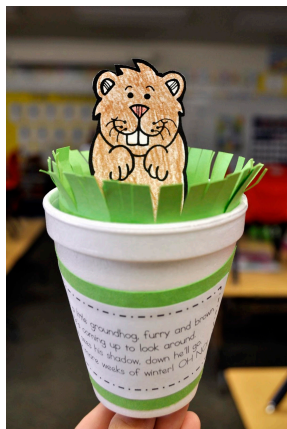
1. Winter is the last season of the year. Sometimes the weather is not only cold and snowy, but also windy and rainy.
2. All the animals find ways to stay warm. Small animals like chipmunks, rabbits, and woodchucks dig holes in the ground to live in during the winter.
3. Woodchucks or groundhogs hibernate; they spend their winters sleeping. They prepare for hibernation by eating a lot of grasses, berries, and small insects, and put on weight. They live off their fat until they come out of hibernation.
4. Farmers do not like groundhogs because they eat their crops.
5. Groundhogs build impressive homes. Groundhog burrows have between 2-5 entrances, can be 5 ft below the ground, and some are over 60 ft long. There can be several levels and separate rooms to their burrows.
6. Groundhogs are famous for predicting spring. If they come out of their burrows in early February, it’s believed that spring might come early.
7. Groundhogs use their burrows or dens for sleeping, caring for babies and hibernation.

ACTIVITIES

Groundhog pattern →

Coloring page

Craft



Groundhog



**The earth is full of Your creatures.
Psa. 104:24**