

Online Book Club

The Mystery on the Iditarod Trail

Bring It To Life!

1. Write about it! Pretend you are a sled dog that is part of a team in the Iditarod race. Write a story about some adventures you might have during the race. Describe how it feels to run in the bitter cold, day after day, pulling hundred of pounds behind you!
2. Create an Iditarod race game! Use a poster board or a big piece of cardboard for your game board. Draw a path from the beginning of the race to the grand prize at the end. Add obstacles along the way to make it challenging. Here's an example: GO BACK TWO SPACES. YOUR LEAD DOG IS SICK. Decorate your game board with Alaska pictures you find in magazines or on the Internet. Also, make some cool game pieces!
3. Build an igloo with marshmallows! Freeze your igloo to make it stick together better. Add details like an Inuit family made of mini-marshmallows, a mountain of whipped cream, and a frozen lake with gummy fish.
4. Make your own dog sled out of popsicle sticks! First, lay two sticks down for runners. Cut two sticks in half and glue the halves on the runners, one on each end. Glue four more sticks in the middle of the runners as a flat base. Use the rest of the popsicle sticks to make the sides and front of your sled. You can glue part of a pipe cleaner on the front to use as a handlebar. Mush!

