

Winter

The months of winter are December, January and February.

In winter the weather can be very cold with frost and sometimes snow.



snow



frost

Most trees are bare in winter except for evergreens like holly with lovely red berries, and ivy.



holly



ivy

Sometimes we can see mistletoe that grows and feeds on other plants. It may look like a green bush on top of a bare tree. No flowers or grass grow at this time of year.



mistletoe



Lots of people decorate their homes for Christmas with some evergreen plants. They also bring inside a real spruce, pine or fir tree to decorate with lots of ornaments and lights as one of the symbols of Christmas.



spruce



pine

Many creatures are asleep, such as squirrels, hedgehogs, frogs, ladybirds and snails.

The dull countryside is brightened by the lovely colours of the finch family such as chaffinch, goldfinch and bullfinch.



chaffinch



goldfinch



bullfinch

When the ground is frozen birds cannot find food or water. We must remember to put out food for them.



The robin is the tamest of all our garden birds. It is a very sweet singer. It is very easy to spot with a bright red breast, brown wings and a plump body.



robin

In winter we wear warm woolly clothes. We need to remember warm hats, scarves, gloves, coats and boots. We also need to heat our houses so it is warm inside.



hat



scarf



coat



gloves



boots



woolly jumper



Please answer the questions.

1. What are the months of winter?
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2. What is the weather like in winter?
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3. Name two evergreen plants.
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4. Name two colourful birds you can see in winter.
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5. What kind of clothes do you wear in winter?
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6. Why do people bring a tree into their houses in winter?
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7. Which is the tamest bird in our gardens?
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True or false

1. The months of winter are November, December and January.
2. Most trees are green in winter.
3. The chaffinch, goldfinch and bullfinch are colourful birds.
4. Mistletoe grows and feeds on other plants.
5. Robins have yellow breasts
6. It may snow in winter.
7. People need to wear warm woolly clothes in winter.



Name the pictures. The number under the picture shows which letter you need to write in the grid to get the answer. The first one has been done for you



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 IVY
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 JANUARY
 DECEMBER
 CHRISTMAS
 BULLFINCH
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 FEBRUARY
 BERRIES
 SNOW
 PINE
 COLD

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