

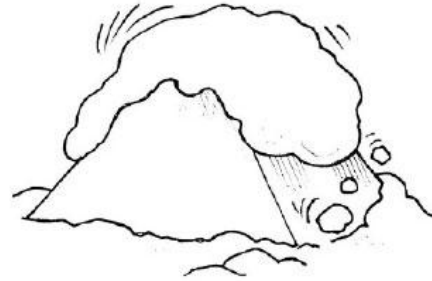
## CREATE AN AVALANCHE



Have you ever wondered how an avalanche works? With this winter craft, kids of all ages can learn how this simulated disaster mimics the true natural phenomenon.

### Materials:

- Cardboard box (cut in half, corner to corner)
- Mittens
- Cold water
- Snow



### Instructions:

1. On a cold winter day, cut a cardboard box in half from corner to corner. This will create a cardboard peak, which will sit flat on the ground.
2. Wet the box and let it freeze, with the peak facing the ski.
3. Once the box is frozen, wet it again to create a second, smooth layer of ice.
4. Allow snow to fall and blanket your icy peak.
5. Watch to see if the snow will slide off that steep sheet of ice. A soft bump will help you understand the formation and occurrence of a real avalanche.

*This craft is adapted from The Learning Channel:*

<http://tlc.howstuffworks.com/family/family-and-kids-crafts.htm>