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A Note from Shirley Hughes

Winter is a wonderfully evocative time for inspiring artwork, I find; the pattern of bare branches against a pale sky, snow and frost on the ground throwing every twig and branch into sharp detail, and the extra warmth it gives to figures set in this kind of landscape. It is thrilling to see my winter stories and poems, alternating with seasonal recipes and things to do and make, in this beautifully produced collection.

Shirley Hughes

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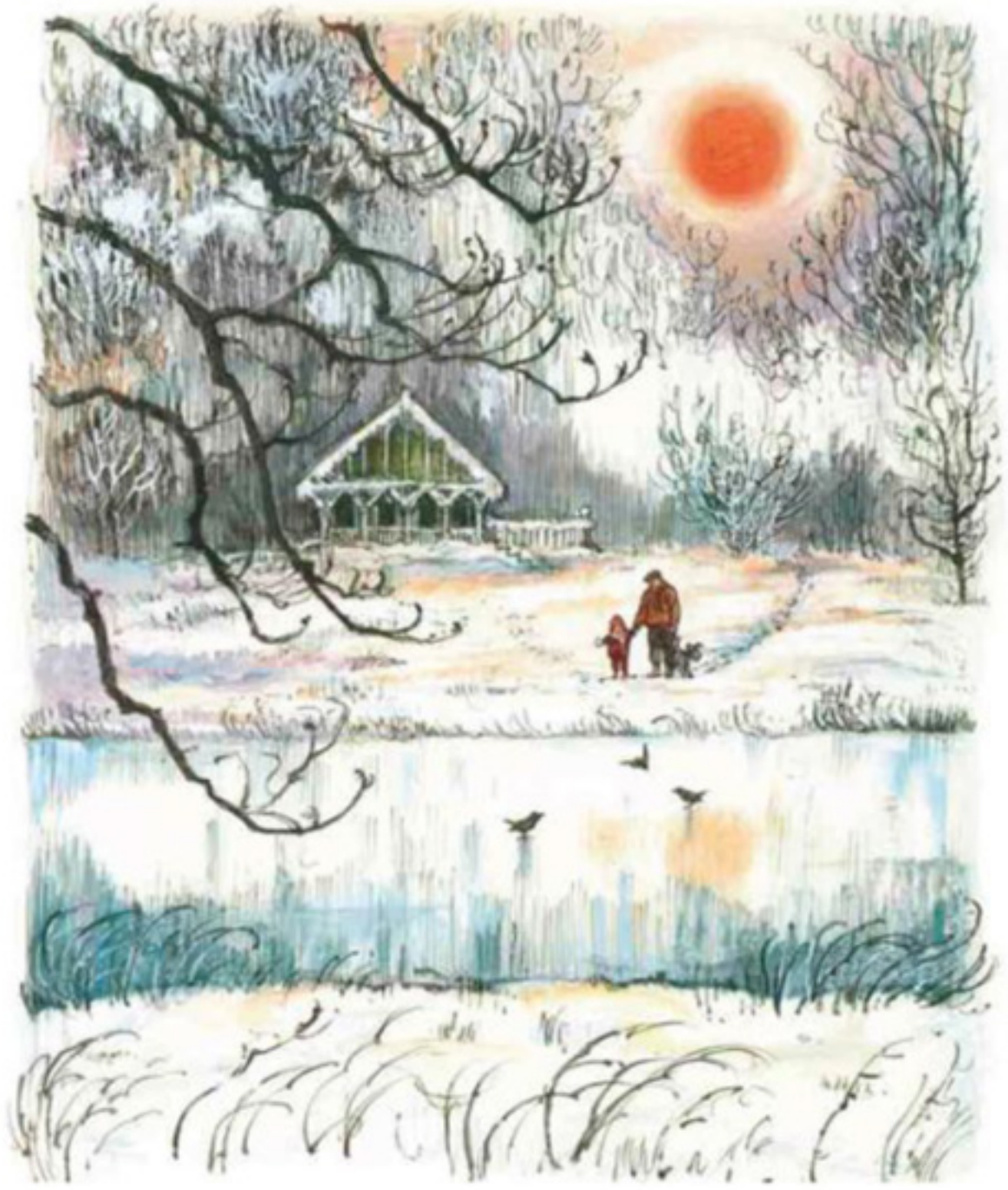
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Cold

Cold fingers,
Cold toes,
Pink sky,
Pink nose.
Hard ground,
Bare trees,
Branches crack,
Puddles freeze.
Frost white,
Sun red,
Warm room,
Warm bed.



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Red Robin Decorations

You can make these colourful decorations to hang on a Christmas tree, or even use them as gift labels for presents!

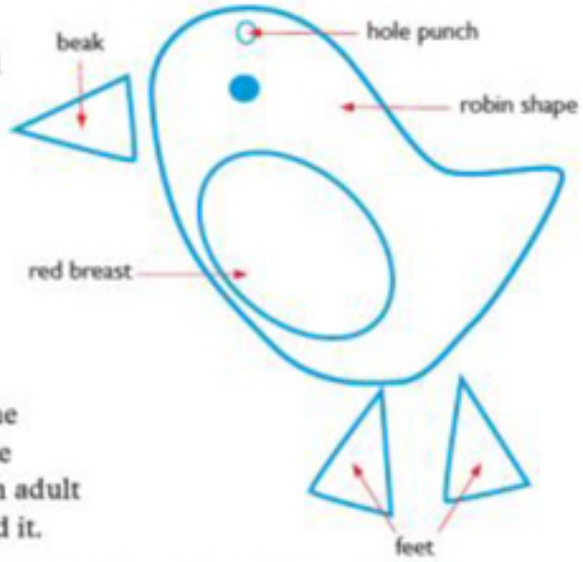


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You will need:

A4 sheet of red paper
A4 sheet of brown card
Stick-on eyes
A glue stick
A pencil (or crayon)
A hole punch
Red ribbon (or string)
Scissors



Instructions

1. Using your pencil or crayon, draw an outline of a robin shape on the brown card and ask an adult to help you cut around it.
2. Draw a small circle on the red paper. Carefully cut it out and stick it onto the brown shape to give the robin a bright red breast.
3. Stick an eye onto the robin and punch a small hole at the top of the decoration.
4. Cut three small triangles out of the remaining brown card and stick them onto the robin: one for the beak and two for the feet.
5. Carefully thread the red ribbon or string through the hole at the top of the decoration and tie the ends of the ribbon.