

# ZEKE'S FUN AT HOME ACTIVITY CORNER

Dear Zoo-Friends,

This week's playful and physical lessons will **explore dinosaurs** this week! We will use our **S.T.R.E.A.M.S.** format.

## S.T.R.E.A.M.S.:

**Science** – all aspects of our physical world

**Technology** - looking up topics online, viewing pictures and videos

**Recreation** - movement and fitness – free and structured physical activities

**Engineering** - little hands building with blocks, Legos®, scissors, stirring, transferring, lacing, cooking – anything that uses arms, hands and fingers

**The Arts** - literature, art and music

**Math** – sorting, adding, subtracting, subitizing, measuring, time, comparing sizes/weights, etc.

**Socialization** - learning about self, family, community, world

## Everyday!

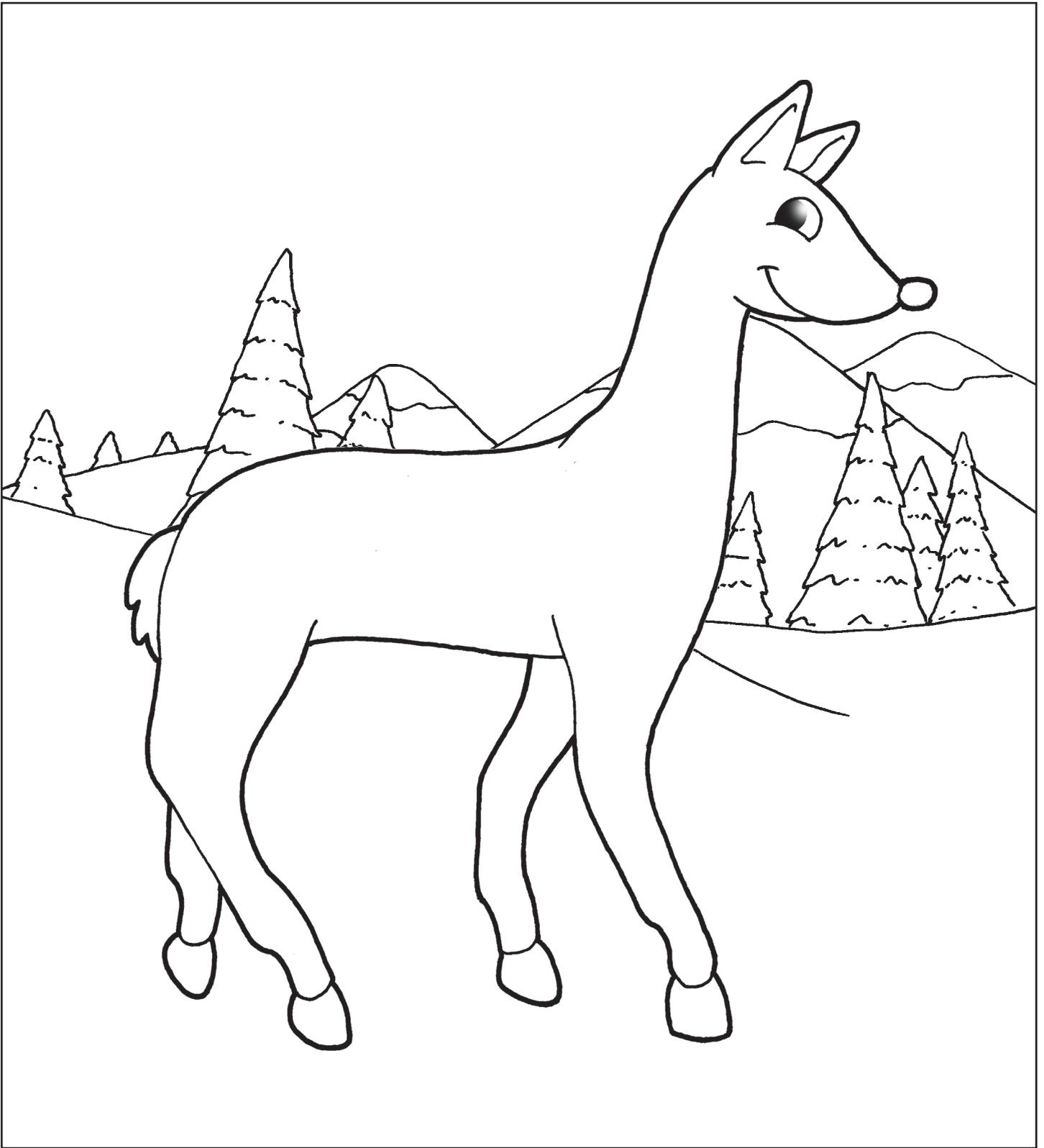
- ✓ **Zoo-phonics:** Signal and sound the “a – z’s” every day. Don’t forget Safari Sid on YouTube! Older children can practice their word lists. Signal and sound! Play different games with the *Lowercase Animal Alphabet Cards*.
- ✓ **Literature:** Read a wonderful literature book aloud every day! Find another fun **dinosaur book!** The good news is, is that you find lots “kid” information on dinosaurs online. Simply go to YouTube or other online sites. What an amazing thing!
- ✓ **Signal and Sound:** Remember, as you share the lessons, remember to **Signal the first letter in key words**. Watch for underlined letters below.

## Friday’s Lesson:

- 1) **Socialization & Creative Writing:** First, all week you’ve been learning about and playing with dinosaurs. Can your child tell you what letter sound “dinosaur” starts with? Yes! Deedee Deer’s sound, /d/! Signal together! Today, talk about what you’ve learned! Now, as you are talking, write a story about one of the dinosaurs your child likes the best. The story can be funny, scary or scientifically interesting! Write down his/her words and then, read it back to him/her. It is magic to create something, hear it and see it. Go through and underline the first initials in key words. Signal and sound each one!
- 2) **Recreation:** (Get physical!) Make up a dance with simple steps (use the whole body) that the whole family can learn and do together. Make sure you have little dinosaur arms! Make the movements fit the dinosaur (most were very large and heavy!). Practice, put on some music and dance! Video-tape! Share with us at [char@zoo-phonics.com](mailto:char@zoo-phonics.com)! We’ll post it in Zeke’s Fun Corner!
- 3) **Engineering & Art:** Find a dinosaur cookie cutter. Make some cookie dough (from scratch or not...) and have your child roll it out. Now, press the cookie cutter into the dough (great fine motor practice) and bake. Mix up some delicious green frosting and frost your dinosaur cookies. What a treat!



**For Any Kindergarten Kids!** If you have an older child, Signal and sound the blends in the words “green” and “frost.” You Signal the “g” and the “r” quickly and make its sound. Do the same for the “fr.”



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