Intermediate

Winter Word Ladders

Change ONE letter each step — grades 2-3

Name _____ Date _____

Start at the top word. Change **one letter** on each step to make a new real word, until you reach the bottom word.

Ladder 1

B	E	A	R
C	O	L	D

Ladder 2

C	O	A	T
H	O	O	D

Ladder 3

S	E	A	L
W	I	N	D

Ladder 4

S	L	I	P
S	N	O	W

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Answer Key

Sample answers. Any ladder is correct if every step changes just one letter and makes a real word.

Ladder 1

B	E	A	R
B	E	A	T
B	E	L	T
B	O	L	T
B	O	L	D
C	O	L	D

Ladder 2

C	O	A	T
C	O	A	L
C	O	O	L
W	O	O	L
W	O	O	D
H	O	O	D

Ladder 3

S	E	A	L
S	E	L	L
W	E	L	L
W	I	L	L
W	I	L	D
W	I	N	D

Ladder 4

S	L	I	P
S	H	I	P
S	H	O	P
S	H	O	W
S	N	O	W