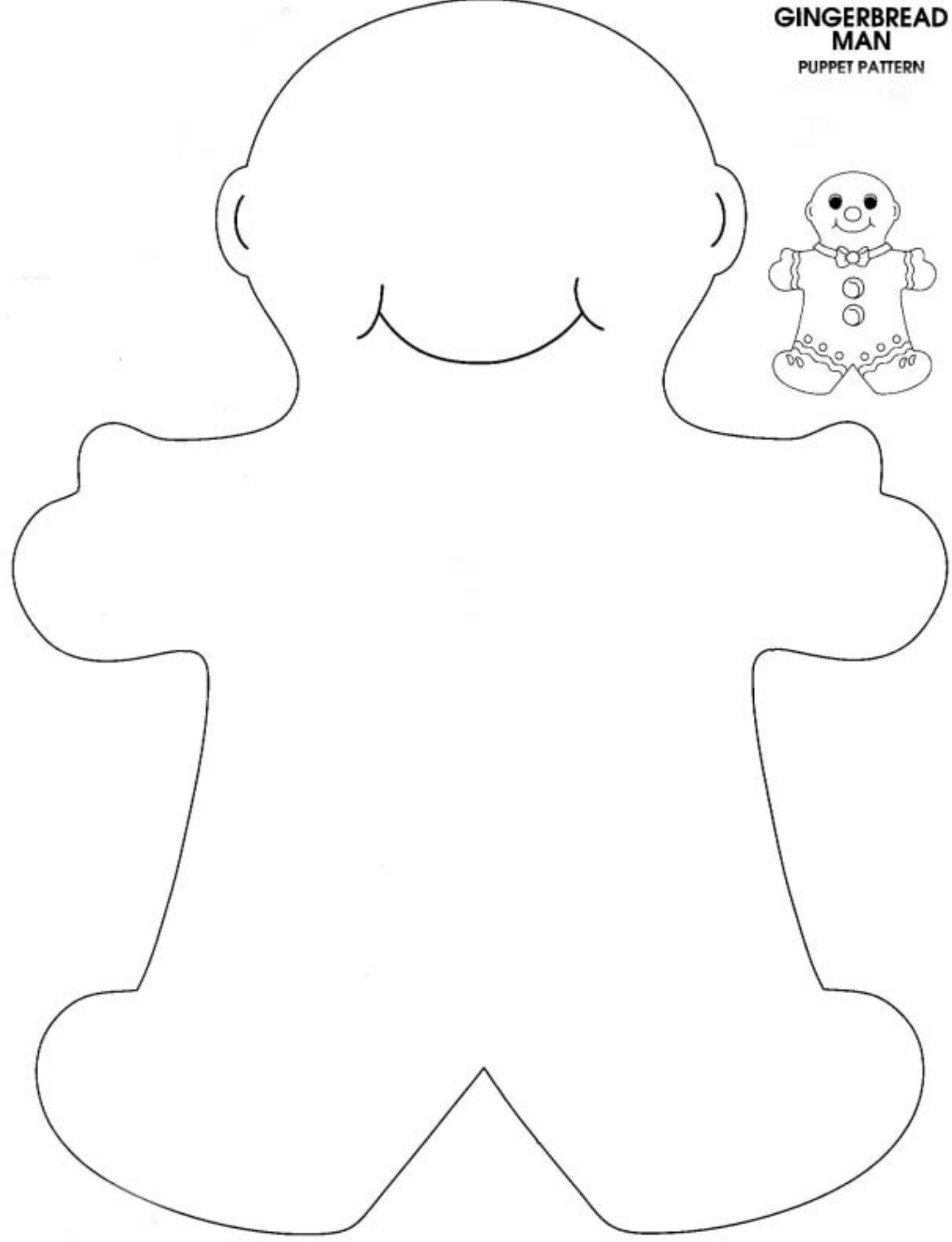


LEARNING
through
PLAY

in
**Family
Child Care**



**GINGERBREAD
MAN**
PUPPET PATTERN



Parachute Snowfall

(Infant and Toddler Game)

Materials needed:

Cotton Balls

Parachute

Music

Directions:

Lay some cotton balls on the parachute. Invite the children to gently let the snow fall to the soft music.

Put the cotton balls in a bucket and pour them onto the floor.

Invite the children to pick them up, put them back in the bucket and do it again.

Put cotton balls on a high chair tray as well. Pay close attention so the toddlers don't put the cotton balls in their mouth. Infants would enjoy feeling the texture of the cotton balls on their arms, check or legs.

Snow in the Water Table

Bring some snow in and put it in your water table. Invite the children to use cups, spoons and bowl to scoop, dip and pour. Set the timer to see how long it takes to melt.

Snowballs

Read the book Snowballs by Lois Elhert. Provide each child with a poster board snowman to decorate at home. You can supply decorations or let kids use things available at home.