

# Kid Scoop

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## April Showers

What did one raindrop say to its friends? Two's a company. Three's a cloud.

### Why does it rain?

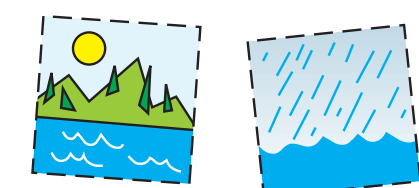
There is water all around us — on the land and in the sea. This water evaporates and rises into the sky as vapor. The vapor in the sky turns to water droplets and makes clouds. The water drops fall from the sky as rain. The rain goes into the ground and into the sea. Then, some of the water from the rain evaporates back to the sky and makes clouds again.

**Standards Link:** Earth Science: Water changes through the process of evaporation and condensation.



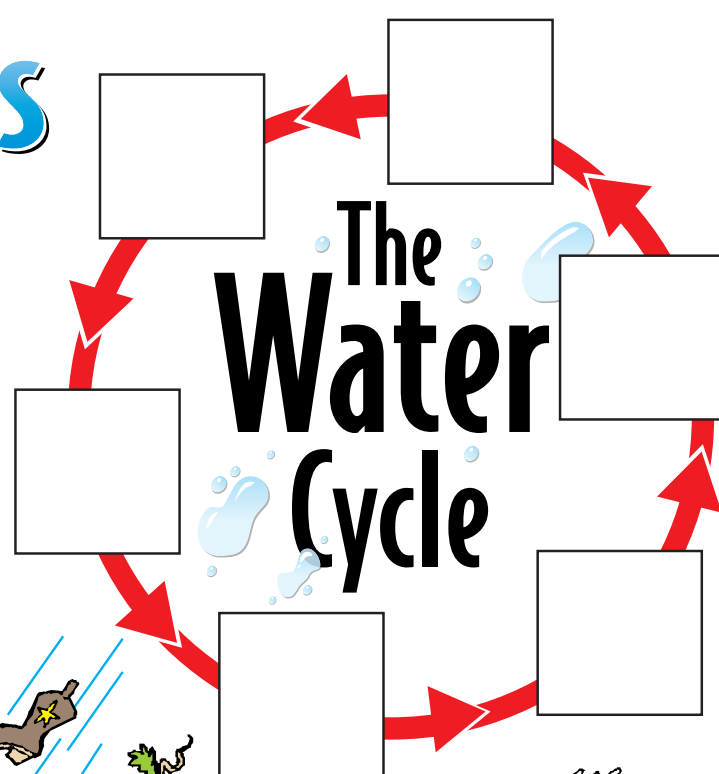
Cut out the pictures and put them in the correct order on the Water Cycle.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple directions; understand the water cycle.

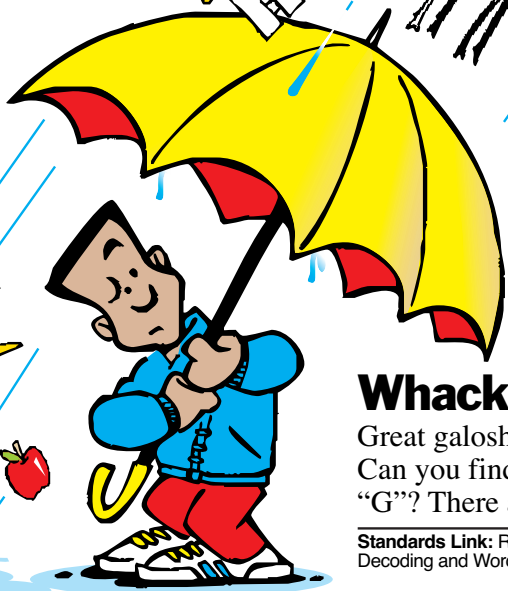


When is weather worst for mice? When it is raining cats and dogs.

## The Water Cycle



What is the difference between a lion with a toothache and a rainy day? One roars with pain and the other pours with rain.



### Whacky Weather

Great galoshes! Gregg is in a goofy storm. Can you find all the things that start with "G"? There are 12 of them in this picture.

**Standards Link:** Reading Comprehension: Follow simple directions. Decoding and Word Recognition: Match initial consonant sound to letter.

Where is the ocean deepest? At the bottom.

What does the ocean do when it is leaving? It waves.

**Umbrella Math**  
Use the color code to color each umbrella section.

5 = blue, 7 = yellow, 9 = purple, 10 = green, 11 = orange

### Kid Scoop Puzzler

#### Water Facts

Do the math to discover these amazing facts about water.

- In July 1861, more than  $\frac{41-11}{15+55}$  feet of rain fell in one month on the town of Cherrapunji, India.
- A watermelon is  $\frac{53+39}{4+6}$  percent water.
- There is as much water in  $\frac{14+36}{4+6}$  inches of snow as there is in one inch of rain.
- About  $\frac{14+36}{14+36}$  percent of the Earth's freshwater supply is contained in five of the Great Lakes.

### Double Double Word Search

Find the words in the puzzle. Then look for each word in this week's Kid Scoop stories and activities.

EVAPORATES GALOSHES SHOWERS WEATHER CLOUDS APRIL WATER CYCLE VAPOR LAKES STORM WATCH RAIN SNOW SKY

**Standards Link:** Letter sequencing. Recognized identical words. Skim and scan reading. Recall spelling patterns.

### FROM THE LESSON LIBRARY

#### Wet and Dry Headlines

Start a poster collage of headlines and/or articles that mention water. After several weeks, look for a pattern in the stories. What do they tell you about the water situation in your community?

**Standards Link:** Earth Science: Water and the community; origins, availability and recycling.

### What do you get when you cross a STREAM and a RIVER?

ANSWER: Wet Feet

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