

The Rain Came Down **Extension Activities for the Classroom**

Music and Movement Activities:

Puddle Jumping Alphabet Activity

<https://funlearningforkids.com/puddle-jumping-alphabet-activity/>



“Umbrella Song”

Down come the rain drops SPLASH, SPLASH, SPLASH! (*stamp feet on the splashes*)

Let's run for cover, DASH, DASH, DASH! (*run on the spot*)

Pitter patter, pitter patter, DRIP, DRIP, DROP! (*clap hands in rhythm*)

I'm under my umbrella till the raindrops STOP! (*put up pretend umbrella*)

“Pitter Patter Pitter Patter”

Pitter patter, pitter patter,

Listen to the rain!

Pitter patter, pitter patter,

On the window pane.

Dropping, dropping, dropping, dropping,

Dropping on the ground.

Dripping, dripping, dripping, dripping,

Listen to the sound!

Science Activities:

How Hard Is It Raining (also a math activity)

<https://rainydaymum.co.uk/how-hard-has-it-rained-a-preschool-weather-investigation/>

The Water Cycle

<https://learning-center.homesciencetools.com/article/clouds-and-rain/>

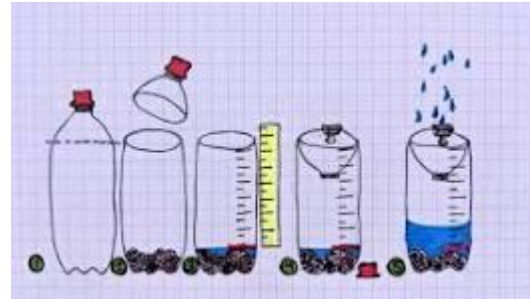
Rain Cloud

<https://littlebinsforlittlehands.com/rain-cloud-spring-science-weather-activity/>

Build Your Own Rain Gauge

Materials needed:

- A 2-liter plastic soda bottle (empty, clean and labels removed)
- A ruler
- Scissors
- A marker
- Masking tape
- Rocks or sand



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8qLael2CSKs>

Art Activities:

Drawing Rain



Pick a rainy day and have your students look out the window and draw/paint the rain. Provide paper, pencils, crayons, markers and/or watercolor paints. Let them use their imaginations! Anything goes 😊!

Bubble Wrap Rain

<https://scottsbricks.blogspot.com/2015/11/bubble-wrap-rain.html>



If you and your class enjoyed reading *The Rain Came Down*, be sure to check out these books too:

- *Who Likes Rain?* by Wong Herbert Yee
- *The Big Umbrella*, by Amy June Bates
- *Singing in the Rain*, by Tim Hopgood