

RAINY DAYS

WHY?	WOW WORDS!
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To have fun outside, whatever the weather!• To make observations and talk about what you see, hear or feel• To promote motor skill development	Splash/ thunder / lightning / puddle / shelter / listen / wet / pouring / drizzle / shower / raindrop / cloud / drenched / soaking / trickle / forecast/ squelchy / measure
WHAT?	
<p><u>Resource ideas:</u> - Wellington boots / waterproof suit / umbrellas / plastic bottle (to act as a rain gauge) / sieve or colander / sticks / nets / buckets</p> <p><u>Ideas for play:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dressed up in waterproof gear, provide your child with a range of different equipment (Colanders, umbrellas etc...) and let them enjoy exploring and discovering rain. "What does the rain sound like on top of your umbrella?" "What do you notice happening as the rain is falling into the sieve?"• Sing songs outside in the rain... For example 'Rain, rain go away', 'I hear thunder' and 'It's raining it's pouring'• Use sticks and nets to explore puddles• Make muddy potions, collecting squelchy mud from puddles• Create a weather chart and make observations on different days• Leave a plastic bottle out all day - talk about how much it has rained. You may want to write numbers up the side before you start to promote talk about measuring.• Jump in puddles. "Who can make the biggest splash?"	