Cloudette

Themes: Weather, Water Cycle, Determination, Perseverance

Book Brief: Cloudette is a small cloud who wants to do big things. When a big storm blows her into an unknown place, she finds that even though she is little, she can make a difference. Her actions give her the confidence she needs to continue finding ways to make great things happen.

Author and Illustrator: Tom Lichtenheld

TIME TO READ!

Before reading: Find out what children already know about clouds. Can they name any cloud types? What do they think is the purpose of clouds? As you read, see if any of their ideas appear in the story of Cloudette.

RELATED ACTIVITIES

AN A-MAZE-ING CLOUD RACE (AGES 5-12)

Materials: masking tape, blocks, cotton balls, straw

Create a frame outline using masking tape on the floor or table. Within the frame, use blocks to form a maze. Determine a start point. Place a cotton ball cloud at the starting point and have children use straws to blow their cotton balls through the maze.

CLOUDS IN A JAR (AGES 5-12)

Materials: large clear cup, small clear cup, water, food coloring, eye droppers, shaving cream

Use a few drops of food coloring to make colored water in a small cup. Fill large cup about 3/4 full with water. Use shaving cream to create a cumulus cloud on top of the water. Fill a dropper with colored water and drop ont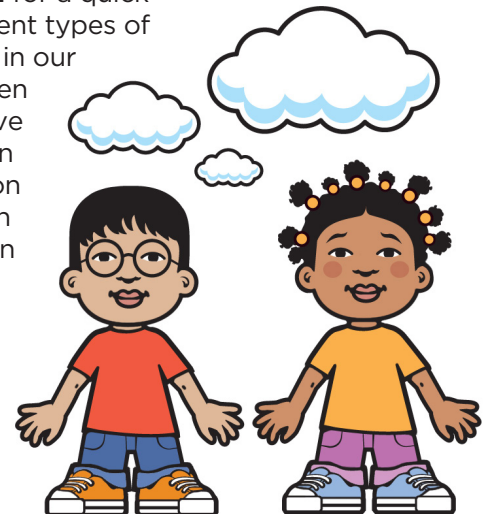o the cloud. Continue dropping colored water into the cloud. Observe what happens as the cloud fills with the colored water.

CLOUD CONNECTIONS (AGES 5-12)

Visit **https://sciencing.com/types-clouds-kids-8294039.html** for a quick look at the different types of clouds that form in our skies. Take children outside to observe the cloud cover in the area. Based on the information in the video clip, can children identify any of the cloud types? What type of weather might be coming?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

OTHER BOOKS ABOUT CLOUDS

Clouds, Anne Rockwell (2008)
Little Cloud, Eric Carle (1996)
Little Cloud and Lady Wind, Toni Morrison (2010)

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