

Where Does Kitty Go in the Rain?



Story Summary

Where Does Kitty Go in the Rain? is a mix of story and facts relating to rain. Children are invited via Harriet Ziefert's rhyming couplets to join in the search for a little girl's kitty. In so doing, they will find out what rain is, and how cats and other animals react to a shower of rain.



Lesson Focus

Rain Cycle

Book Information

Run Time	7:15
Author	Harriet Ziefert
Illustrator	Brigitte Barrager
Narrator	Lileina Joy (Girl), Bethany Arrington (Mom)
Publisher	Blue Apple Books
Ages	5-8/AD510L
Genre	Narrative with nonfiction
Themes & Ideas	Rain, animal behavior, rhyme, mystery
Language & Literary Features	Rhyming couplets, dialogue, fictional story with facts about rain and animal behavior
Sentence Complexity	Simple and complex sentences
Vocabulary	vapor, comb, waterproof, mushy muck, birdie chirps, moisture, wiggle, squirm, roosts, peeks, rain, rhyming couplets, mystery, nonfiction, animal behavior
Illustrations	Lush, harmonious illustrations

Activity Ideas

KWL Chart

KWL chart on rain.

Drawing and Writing

Draw and write a story about a place before the rain, during the rain, and after the rain.

Research Rain

Make a poster with rain facts and talk about it with a friend or grownup.

Additional activities can be found in the following pages of this document. Blue Apple Books sometimes combines an early reading story with an upper level nonfiction lesson. The activities are developed to meet the needs of both readers.

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Discuss the story and write your answers together.

Where do you go when it rains?

Do you have a pet?

Share what you learned about the rain cycle.

What was your favorite fact from *Where Does Kitty Go in the Rain?*

Which animal was your favorite in *Where Does Kitty Go in the Rain?* Why?

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Pause at the indicated time stamps and discuss the story

Each resource/activity which accompanies the title, includes an interactive activity, Pause & Ponder, to help children understand and explore a deeper understanding of what the story means to them. After children view the story for the first time, view the story again using the Pause & Ponder, pausing at the timestamps provided, to discuss the questions with the children. These questions are designed to help children make inferences about and explain several story events. Then follow-up with the probing questions provided in the after viewing section of the Pause & Ponder to support children's ability to answer broader explanation questions. But, above all, enjoy!

0:33

Where do you think Kitty goes in the rain?

0:48

How is the little girl feeling? How can you tell?

1:34

How does the little girl get ready to go out in the rain?

2:00

Why doesn't Kitty like the rain?

3:18

What does a squirrel do during the rain?

5:01

What do butterflies do during the rain?

After viewing the book:

1. How is rain formed?
2. What do you like to do in the rain?
3. Where do you think Kitty went during the rain?

 **Coloring Sheet**

Draw yourself having an adventure in the rain and decorate your umbrella, rain boots, and rain jacket.



Drawing and Writing

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Draw a picture and write a story about the animals in the book meeting together for a party.



Colors of the Rainbow

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When it rains and the sun shines at the same time, often a rainbow can be seen. A

rainbow is made of the colors **red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, and violet.**

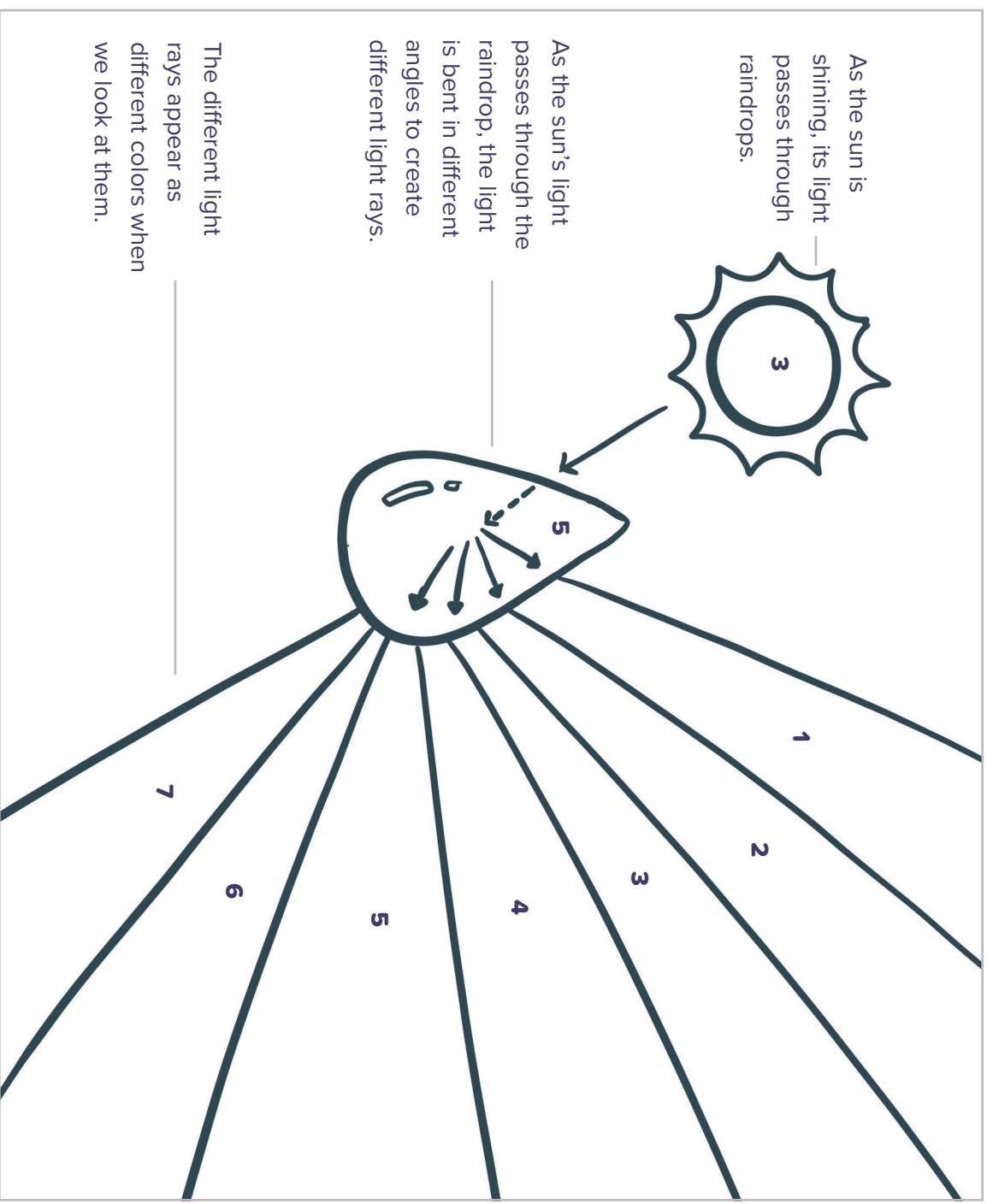
Using the chart below, color the rainbow to match the correct number.

1	RED
2	ORANGE
3	YELLOW
4	GREEN
5	BLUE
6	INDIGO
7	VIOLET

As the sun is shining, its light passes through raindrops.



As the sun's light passes through the raindrop, the light is bent in different angles to create different light rays.



The different light rays appear as different colors when we look at them.

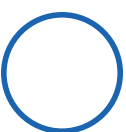
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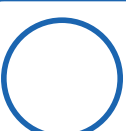
Draw illustrations that go along with 4 different stages of the rain cycle. Then, write the correct order of the cycle by writing 1–4 in the circle spaces provided.

Learn more about the rain cycle starting at 0:54 in *Where Does Kitty Go in the Rain?*

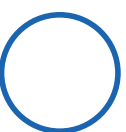
1. When water heats up, it turns into warm, wet air called vapor. **0:54**
2. Vapor rises to the sky, where it becomes cold and turns into a cloud. **1:00**
3. The cloud becomes bigger until it is so heavy that parts of it fall to the ground. **1:05**
4. Rain falls! **1:12**



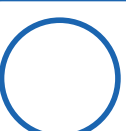
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