

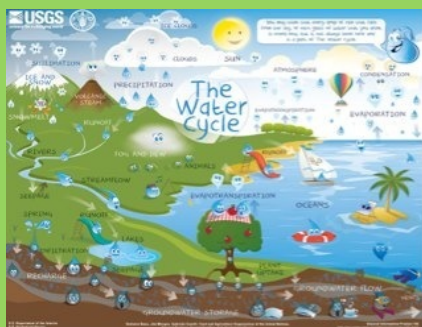
K-2: RAINSTICK

Related academic subjects: fine arts, language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies.

1. Break into groups of three.
2. The first group gets 10 beans, the second group gets 20, and the third group gets 30.
3. Tape a cupcake wrapper to one end of the tube.
4. Pour the beans into the tube.



5. Tape a cupcake wrapper to the other end of the tube.
6. Decorate a sheet of paper with colored pencils, crayons, markers, paint, and/or stickers.
7. Wrap the sheet of paper around the tube and secure with tape.
8. Have each group shake their rainsticks and see whose make the most and least amount of noise.

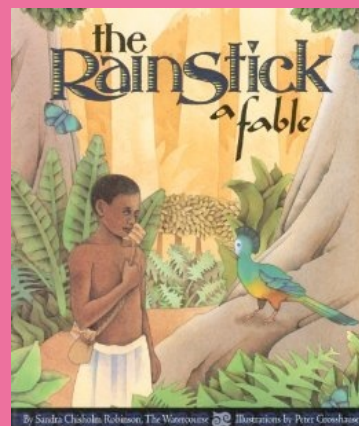


MATERIALS:

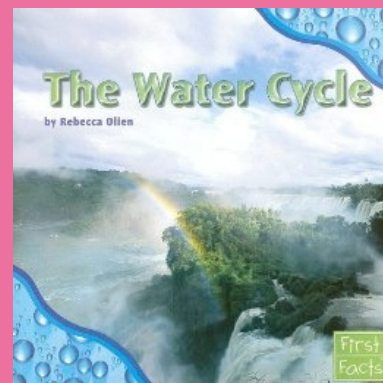
1. Paper towel tubes
2. Dried beans
3. Cupcake wrappers
4. Tape
5. 8.5" x 11" sheets of white or colored paper
6. Colored pencils, crayons, markers, paint, and/or stickers



BOOKS:



[The Rainstick, A Fable, Sandra Chisholm Robinson](#)



[The Water Cycle, Rebecca Olien](#)

POSTER:

[The Water Cycle for Kids, The U.S. Geological Survey and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations](#)

VIDEOS:

[Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain, Reading Rainbow](#)

[Water Cycle, Bill Nye the Science Guy](#)

