



Tracking the Weather Lessons

Books

Air Is All Around You (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 1)

By Franklin Mansfield Branley; illustrated by John O'Brien. (2006, HarperCollins)

Funny illustrations and approachable science writing show how air is in everything, including water.

Clouds (Let's-Read-and-Find-Out Science 1)

By Anne Rockwell; illustrated by Frane Lessac. (2008, HarperCollins)

With colorful illustrations, this book describes different types of clouds, what they are made of, and how you can observe them to predict the weather.

Hot and Cold (It's Science)

By Sally Hewitt. (2000, Children's Press)

Simple text and photos illustrate the concept of temperature.

Like a Windy Day

By Frank Asch and Devin Asch. (2008, HMH Books for Young Readers)

In this fictional story, a young girl has a windy day adventure as she goes flying, tumbling, twisting, and turning through the landscape.

Make Things Fly: Poems About the Wind

Edited by Dorothy M. Kennedy; illustrated by Sasha Meret. (1998, Margaret McElderry)

A collection of 27 rhythmic poems about the wind; great for reading aloud.

Nature: Poems Old and New

By Mary Swenson and Susan Mitchell. (2000, Mariner)

Excellent collection of poems. "The Cloud Mobile" poem, in particular, creates beautiful imagery of clouds.



Snowflake Bentley

By Jacqueline Briggs Martin; illustrated by Mary Azarian. (2009, Sandpiper)

The 1999 Caldecott Medal-winning biography of Wilson Bentley, a Vermont farm boy who grew up to become a world-famous snowflake expert and one of the first to successfully photograph snowflakes. Blends beautiful woodcuts, storybook text, and factual sidebars.

Storm is Coming!

By Heather Tekavec; illustrated by Margaret Spengler. (2004, Puffin)

A fictional story about a storm that is heading for a farm. Dog warns the other animals and leads them to the barn. Then the rain and lightning come. The animals are relieved because they think the sky is trying to ward off this frightening creature named storm.

Tornadoes and Hurricanes! (TIME for Kids Nonfiction Readers)

By Cy Armour. (2011, Teacher Created Materials)

Provides clear and simple descriptions of tornadoes and hurricanes as well as how they are formed.

Weather Words and What They Mean

By Gail Gibbons. (1992, Holiday House)

Clear color drawings and explanations of weather words such as temperature, moisture, and wind.

What Do You See in a Cloud (Rookie Read-About Science)

By Allan Fowler. (2006, Children's Press)

Color photos illustrate simple descriptions of the shapes and types of clouds.

Wind (Science Secrets Series)

By Jason Cooper. (2003, The Rourke Book Company)

Provides a simple discussion of the causes of air movement, uses of wind power, and such phenomena as hurricanes and tornadoes.