



Home School Connection

Dear Family Member:

This week our class will be reading stories about how to stay safe in bad weather. Children will also learn about severe weather conditions, such as hurricanes, tornadoes, blizzards, earthquakes, droughts, and floods.

Here are some resources you can use with your child to help reinforce the skills we will be practicing.

My Learning Goals

Have your child put a check next to [the learning goals](#) he or she completes.

Word Workout

- Vocabulary: safe, prepare Make a list and gather materials for a weather supply kit. Include items such as a first aid kit, canned food, and a battery-operated radio.
- My Words to Know

High-Frequency Words: my, are, he, with, is, little, she, was Have your child think of sentences using the review words. Write the sentences on paper, and then read them together.

Category Words: question words Look for pictures of severe weather in a newspaper, or a magazine, or online. Ask your child questions about each picture.

Phonics: h, e, f, r, b, l, k, ck, l-blends (bl, cl, fl, sl) Play "I Spy," having your child guess the names of objects that have the letters h, e, f, r, b, l, c, ck, or the l-blends (bl, cl, fl, sl).

Comprehension: Plot: Sequence

Tell your child to imagine that a blizzard might happen in a few days. Ask your child to circle items that should be included in a weather safety kit. Encourage your child to tell why each item should be included. Ask your child in which

order he or she would like to put these items in the safety kit, using the words first, next, then, and last.

Let's Explore Together: Thinking Flexibly

Sometimes to solve a problem, we have to try out a few different ideas. Your child is learning how to think flexibly! Let's talk about the importance of trial and error.

"Car Experiment"

Murray and friends experiment with different designs to see which car goes the farthest. Wonder aloud, share ideas, and engage together with this [live action video](#).

Trial and error is...

...Trying out different ideas to solve a problem.
When have you used trial and error to solve a problem?

Superhero Pose

Help children feel more confident and in control with a simple posture change. Let's take a wide stance, feet apart, like a superhero. Place our hands on our hips and lift our chests. Let's hold this pose for a moment and breathe. We're super confident learners!