

Pre/Post Activities

Use these discussion prompts when reading the book *The Rhino Who Swallowed a Storm* with your class.



The Rhino Who Swallowed a Storm

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Grades: PK-2

Pre-Reading Activity

Talk about elements of storms (rain, thunder, lightning, high winds, snow, hail, etc.) with students. Use noise and motion to act out various parts of storms. Next, ask students what they like to do during storms. Do they like to watch raindrops hit the window pane? Do they like to get cozy and distract themselves with books or TV? Do they enjoy loud cracks of thunder? Tell students the read-aloud will introduce a little mouse who is afraid of storms.

Post-Reading Activity

Think and talk about the people who help your community stay safe, healthy, and happy. Have students draw, write, or talk with a partner about one member of their community who is a helper. Remind students to show in the drawing, tell in the writing, or talk about in the conversation what the community member does to help.

