

## 5.30 What is rain?

**Topic:** Weather

**Subtopic:** Water

**Activity type/skill:** Vanishing cloze

**Literacy focus:** Listening

**Genre:** Explanations

### Objective

- Gain familiarity with vocabulary associated with the water cycle.
- Develop listening fluency.

### What you need

- Student worksheet (see next page)
- [Audio track 5.30a](#)
- [Audio track 5.30b](#)
- [Audio track 5.30c](#)

### What to do

1. Play track 5.30a (Track 9 for this topic) and discuss any unknown words or concepts. Have students complete text 1 and cover this work.
2. Repeat the exercise using track 5.30b (Track 10 for this topic) and then track 5.30c (Track 11 for this topic).
3. Compare and discuss answers.

Answers:

1. falling, separate, caused, of, oceans, changing, a, vapour, evaporation, vapour, down, water, cold, the, and, from

### Extending the activity

- Prepare other texts in the same way and read them out for the students to complete.

## Activity thirty

### Track 9

1. Rain is water \_\_\_\_\_ from clouds in \_\_\_\_\_ drops.

It is \_\_\_\_\_ by the warmth \_\_\_\_\_ the sun heating \_\_\_\_\_, rivers and seas, \_\_\_\_\_ liquid water into \_\_\_\_\_ gas called water \_\_\_\_\_. This process is called \_\_\_\_\_.

When the water \_\_\_\_\_ rises it cools \_\_\_\_\_ and turns into \_\_\_\_\_. It turns into tiny \_\_\_\_\_ drops of water. \_\_\_\_\_ droplets get bigger \_\_\_\_\_ heavier and fall \_\_\_\_\_ the cloud as raindrops.

### Track 10

2. Rain is water \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

It is \_\_\_\_\_ by the warmth \_\_\_\_\_ the sun heating \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and seas, \_\_\_\_\_ water into \_\_\_\_\_ called \_\_\_\_\_. This process is \_\_\_\_\_.

When the water \_\_\_\_\_ rises it \_\_\_\_\_ and turns into \_\_\_\_\_. It turns into tiny \_\_\_\_\_ of water. \_\_\_\_\_ get bigger \_\_\_\_\_ and fall \_\_\_\_\_ the cloud as \_\_\_\_\_.

### Track 11

3. Rain is \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_

It is \_\_\_\_\_ by the warmth \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ heating \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_ called \_\_\_\_\_. This \_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_.

When \_\_\_\_\_ water \_\_\_\_\_ rises it \_\_\_\_\_ and turns into \_\_\_\_\_. It \_\_\_\_\_ into tiny \_\_\_\_\_ of water. \_\_\_\_\_ get bigger \_\_\_\_\_ and fall \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_.