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# Clouds



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**Can you make a cloud?**





**Breathe out on a cold day.**

**See your breath?  
You have made a cloud.**



**Can you walk in a cloud?  
Fog is a cloud  
stretched along the  
ground.**



**Have you ever walked in  
fog?**





**There are three kinds  
of clouds.**

**Cirrus.**

**That means “curl.”**

**Curl clouds are wisps  
high in the sky.**



**Stratus.**

**That means “layered”  
or “spread out.”**

**Fog is a layered cloud.**



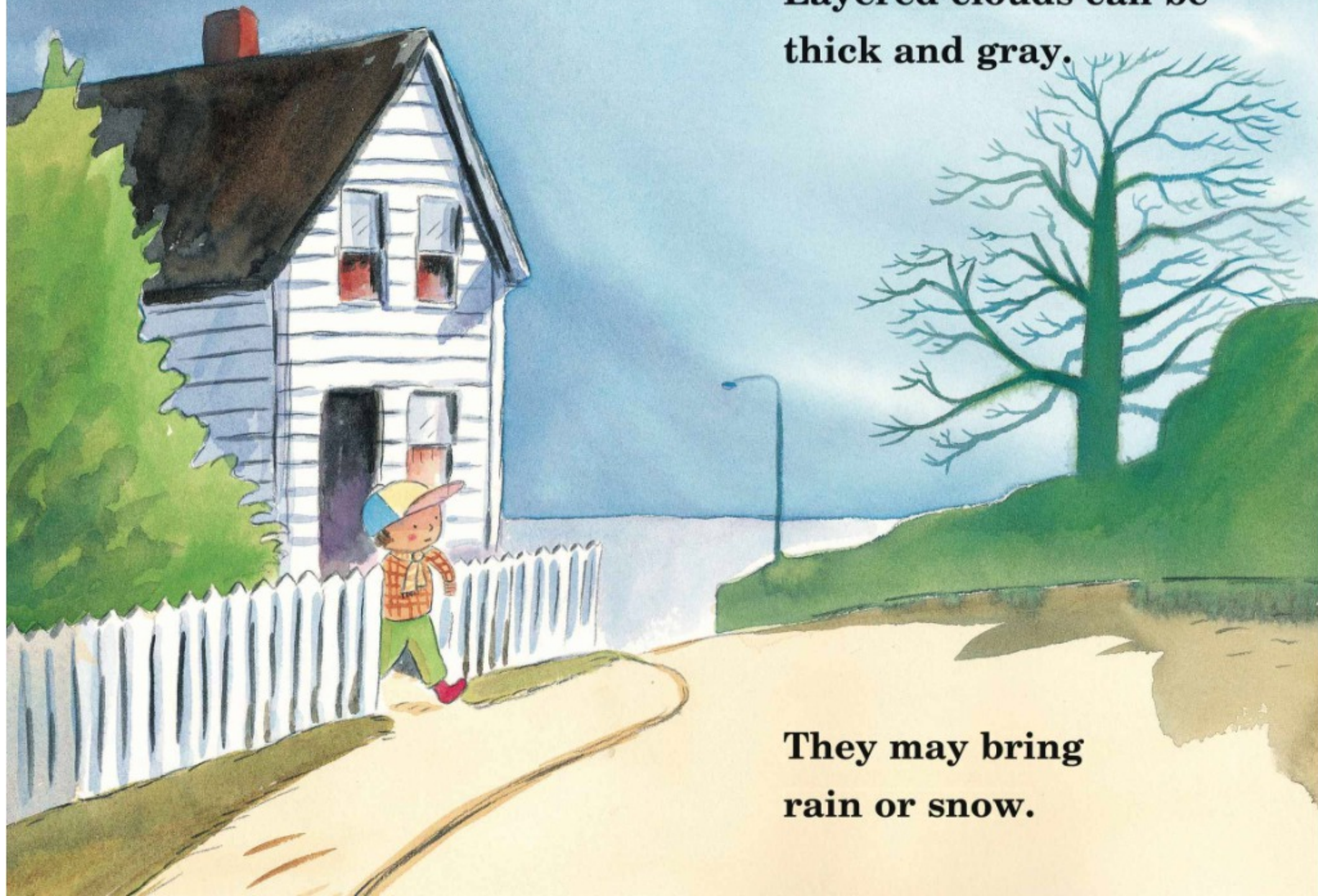


**A layered cloud may cover  
your entire state.**





**Layered clouds can be  
thick and gray.**



**They may bring  
rain or snow.**



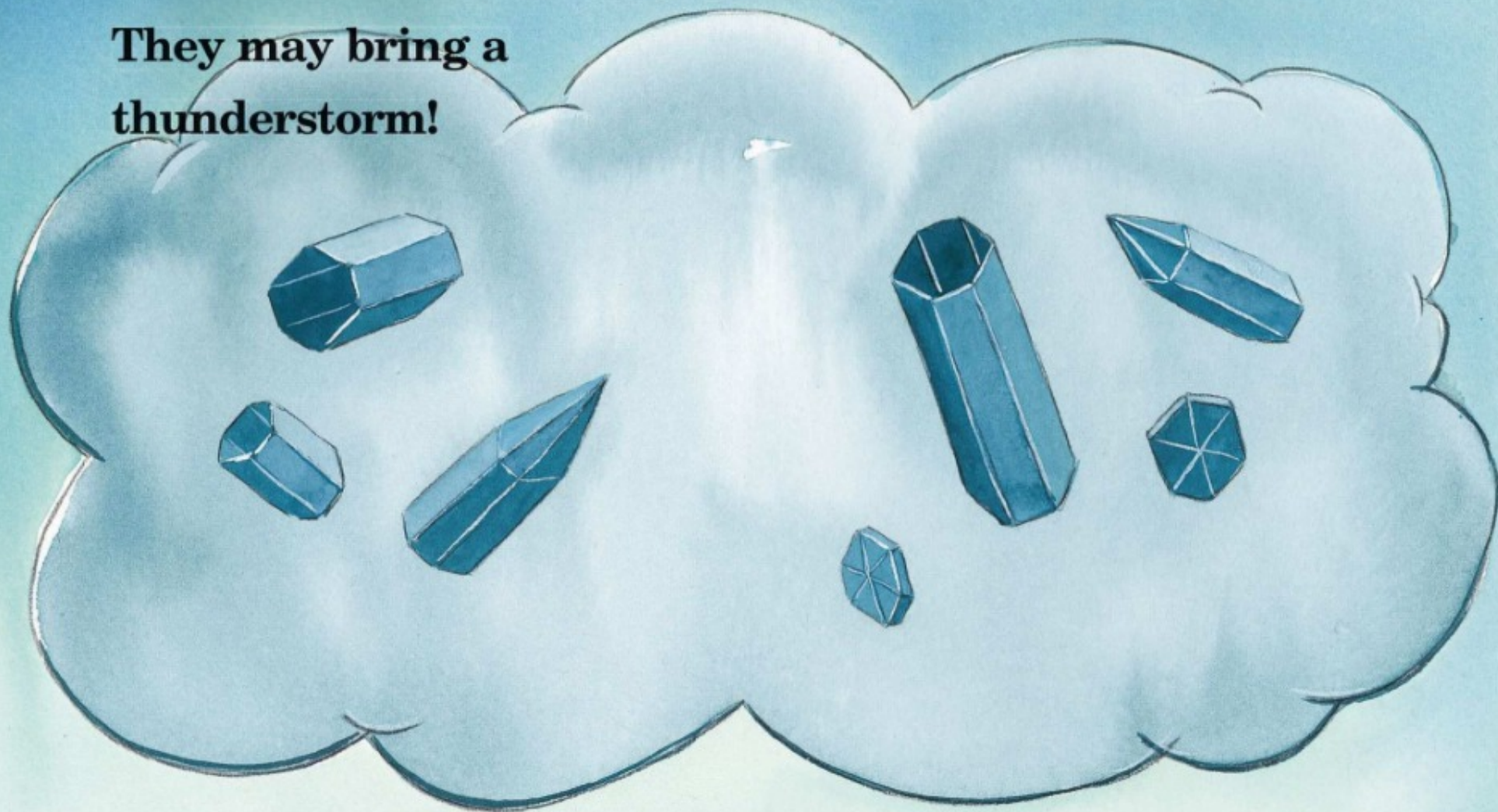


**Cumulus.**  
That means “heap” or

“pile.”  
Heap clouds can grow  
tall and dark.



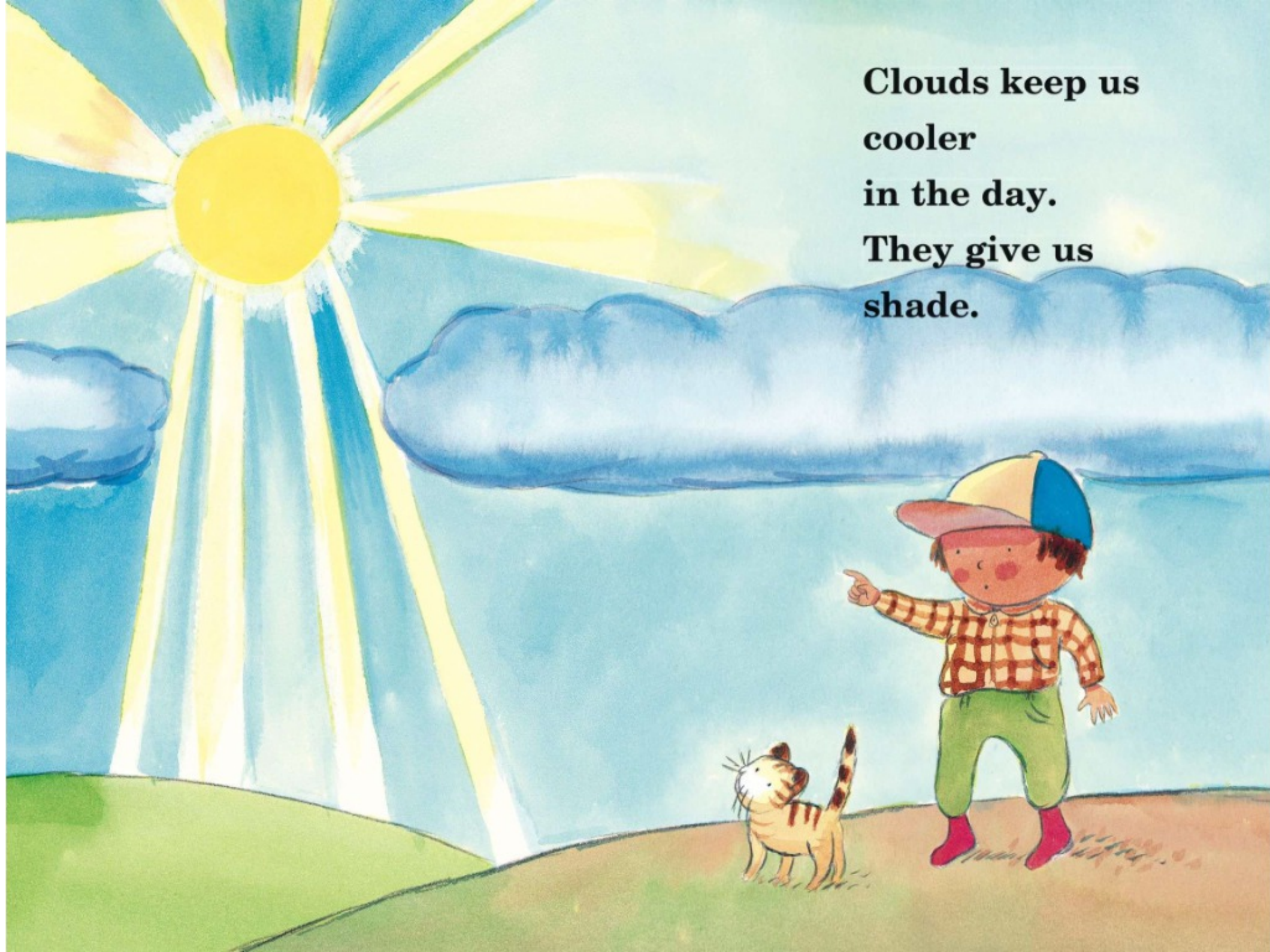
**They may bring a  
thunderstorm!**



**Clouds are made of  
water vapor  
or ice crystals.**



**Clouds keep us  
cooler  
in the day.  
They give us  
shade.**





**Clouds keep us warmer  
at night.**

**They make a blanket  
to hold Earth's heat in.**







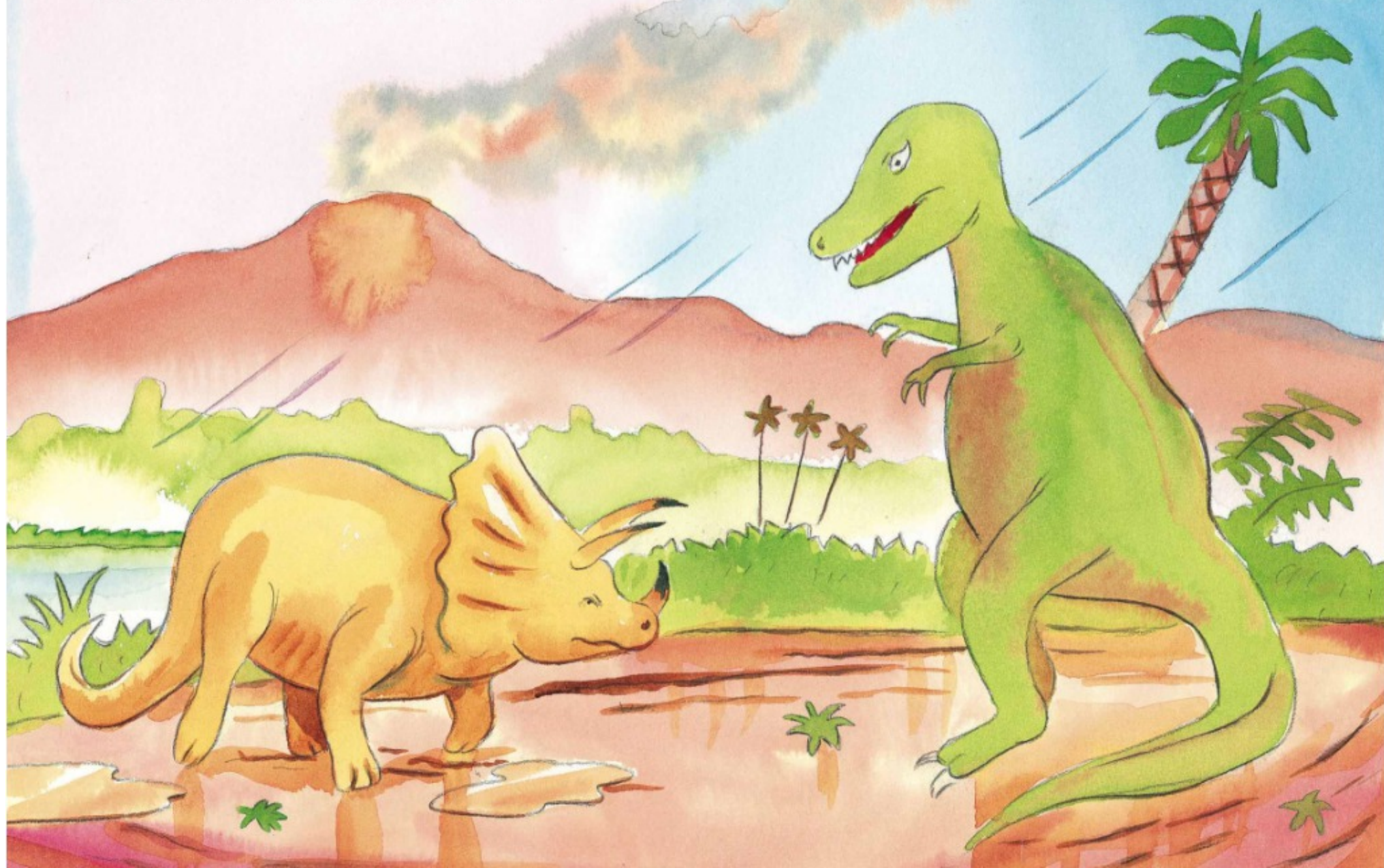
**Clouds bring us  
rain and snow.**



**They send our water  
back to us.**



**The water in our clouds  
once bathed dinosaurs!**





**Now it bathes us!**





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Clouds come in many different shapes and sizes. They can be white and fluffy or dark and scary. But where do clouds come from? The answer is at your fingertips. Just open this book and read about the wonders of clouds. . . .



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# Facts about clouds:



Water vapor droplets are so small you would need a microscope to see one.



It would take seven billion water vapor droplets to make one tablespoon of water.



Even a small cloud can be as heavy as ten large elephants.



If a cloud is made of water, you can see its edges.



If a cloud is made of ice, the edges fade into a blue sky.