

Web links

This is a list of useful web links, crafts, activities and books which can be used to accompany this performance of “The Rainy Day”.

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Investigating & activities to try in your garden

1. On this website you can go on a bug hunt in your garden. There is a downloadable chart of bugs you can try and find.

<http://www.bnhs.co.uk/youngnats/to-do/garden-bug-hunt/>

2. Some fantastic activities you can try in your garden like making a bird feeder, a butterfly feeding table and decorating a tree.

<http://www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/activity-sheets>

3. Have your own snail race just like in the story!

<http://www.thingamababy.com/baby/2007/11/snailrace.html>

4. There are some great ideas on this website to make your garden bug friendly!

<https://www.buglife.org.uk/activities-for-you/wildlife-gardening>

5. There are 50 fantastic ideas of all the activities you can do in your garden on the National Trust website.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lists/50-things-activities-in-your-back-garden>

6. Some fantastic ideas of activities to do outside when it is raining. Including splashing in puddles just like we did in the story!

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/naturedetectives/blogs/nature-detectives-blog/2017/04/rainy-day-activities/>

Rainbow and rainy day crafts and activities

1. Lots of ideas for rainbow crafts on this website.
<https://www.activityvillage.co.uk/rainbow-crafts>
2. Some fantastic rainbow activities on this page including edible rainbows!
<http://theimaginationtree.com/2013/02/40-fantastic-rainbow-activities-for-kids.html>
3. Why not try some arts and crafts in the garden!
<https://artfulparent.com/2015/03/nature-and-garden-crafts-for-kids.html>
4. This is always a fun activity – making a rainbow out of skittles.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k9M5ZnbaAnc>

Science in your garden & investigating rainbows

1. I like this explanation for children about how a rainbow is made.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nCPPLhPTAIk>
2. You can try out these experiments to make a rainbow at home.
<http://onetimethrough.com/how-to-make-rainbows-at-home/>
3. Try out some of these fun experiments in the garden.
<http://www.fantasticfunandlearning.com/kids-science-in-the-garden.html>
4. Try these two different methods for making a cloud in a jar.
<http://www.giftofcuriosity.com/weather-science-how-to-make-a-cloud-in-a-jar/>

Fantastic Rainy day themed books

1. Some great reviews of “Rainy Day” stories for children on this page.
http://www.readthatagain.com/by_topic/rain_01.html

2. I have this book and it has some fantastic ideas to do with children of all ages on a rainy day. I can thoroughly recommend it.
<https://www.amazon.co.uk/101-Things-Kids-Rainy-Day-x/dp/0857833073>
3. I based the story of "The Rainy Day" on this book. It really is lovely and is about all the things that happen outside when it rains.
<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Rainy-Day-Anna-Milbourne/dp/1409539067>
4. There are some fantastic books recommended on this site for finding out about nature in your garden and learning about plants and wildlife.
<http://www.lovereadings4kids.co.uk/genre/out/Out-and-About.html>
5. I think this is a great book for children to learn about science in the garden.
<https://www.amazon.co.uk/Gardening-Lab-Kids-Experiments-Hands/dp/1592539041>
6. There are some fantastic cross-curricular activities in this book.
https://www.amazon.co.uk/Garden-Classroom-Hands-Activities-Literacy/dp/1611801648/ref=pd_sim_14_4?encoding=UTF8&psc=1&refRID=0F84CQK78D2NBR9H03T7