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THE WEATHER



A fun Class Assembly or Presentation



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PRODUCTION NOTES

This school assembly has been written for a class of approximately 30, to be performed over approximately 20 minutes. It can be shortened or lengthened by adding in or leaving out elements. It includes factual comments, an acting element and songs. Although the assembly has been written for 30 students, the assembly can easily be adapted for a smaller class of 15, or larger of 45 by reallocating the lines between the children. It includes factual comments, poem, songs and an opportunity to include a dance and to show children's artwork. A short 'Weather Forecast' sketch is also included, for which props/drawings would be useful.

VISUALS

Pictures are essential to this presentation. We have given some examples in the text. Depending on what equipment available to you, or how much you want the class to have an input to producing the visuals, these images can either be hi-tech or low tech. In other words, you could source images to your computer and display them remotely on a display unit on the stage or you could have a flipchart that displays artwork the children have done which is flipped over by one of the children to reveal the next image to illustrate the presentation. You can easily access a wealth of visuals by typing "Images of (subject matter)" into your search engine.

SONGS

The following songs are suggested in the assembly, however could be easily substituted with other relevant tunes. Sources for downloadable, cheap backing tracks are shown.

Little April Showers – *downloadable mp3 track can be purchased from Amazon*
http://www.amazon.co.uk/Little-April-Shower-Album-Version/dp/B00G0J8X36/ref=sr_1_12?ie=UTF8&qid=1434706130&sr=8-12&keywords=April+Showers+mp3 (*This is the UK site, try country relevant sites if you are outside the UK*)

Singing in the rain – *Gene Kelly* – www.ameritz.co.uk

I can sing a rainbow – *various versions to choose from* – www.ameritz.co.uk

I Hear Thunder – *children’s rhyme sung unaccompanied to the tune of Frere Jacques (possible as a round) view it on You Tube:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TnKxvpqf0hA>

The Sun has Got his Hat On – *(from the musical Me And My Girl)* –

www.ameritz.co.uk

Snow is Falling all Around – *(unaccompanied - sung to the tune of Twinkle Twinkle Little Star)*

PROPS

Sun hats – can be worn whilst singing ‘The Sun has Got his Hat On’

Rain hats/ waterproofs/umbrellas – worn/used during Singing in the Rain

Coloured cards to hold up during ‘sing a rainbow’ – one of each colour needed.

Paper cut out snowflakes *(every child)*

For the weather forecast sketch

Each of the following could be a hand drawn picture of a piece of card, or cut out from a print from the link below:

Sun

White cloud

Black cloud with lightning

White cloud with rain drop

Rainbow

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A CLASS ASSEMBLY

Children walk into the assembly to the front of the audience/on the stage, as the song "April Showers" from Bambi is playing. They arrange themselves in lines facing the audience. Music fades when children are in their places. CHILDREN 1 – 6 step forward.

CHILD 1

Welcome to our assembly. Today we would like to share with you, information that we have learnt about the different types of the weather we all see day to day.

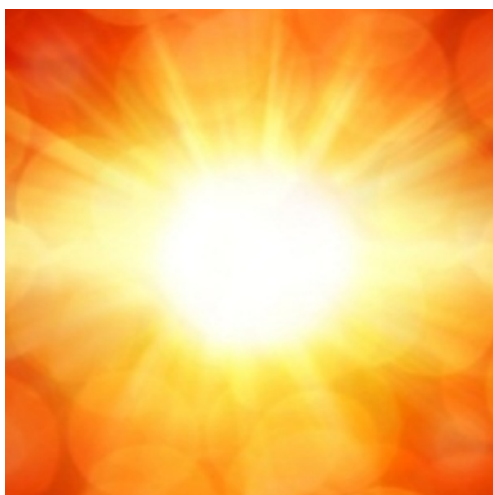
CHILD 2

I wonder if it was sunny, rainy, cloudy or windy when you left home to come to school this morning? There are many different types of weather that we see every day.

CHILD 3

I love sunny days. I wonder what makes it so warm?

(Visual of the Sun)



CHILD 4

The Sun makes us warm. The Sun is actually a huge star, the largest and brightest star in the sky in our Solar System. It is far far away from us, but it is so powerful that we can still feel the Sun's warm rays on Earth.

CHILD 5

Because the Sun is so powerful and hot, its rays can damage our skin. This is why on hot sunny days we have to apply sunscreen to protect our skin against its harmful rays. And we should wear hats to protect the top of our heads.

CHILD 6

Even though we cannot feel it, the Earth is spinning around. When we face the Sun, the sun provides us with light and heat and we have day time. When the Earth spins around, we no longer face the sun, or get its light. This is our night time, and some else's day time.

(CHILDREN 1 – 6 go back to their places. All or some of the CHILDREN put sun hats on.)

SONG 1. THE SUN HAS GOT HIS HAT ON *(Sung by everyone)*

The sun has got his hat on

Hip hip hip hooray

The sun has got his hat on and he's coming out to play

Let us all be happy, let's enjoy the day

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(CHILDREN sit and take their hats off. CHILDREN 7 – 12 step forward)