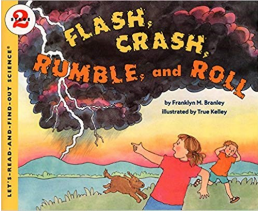
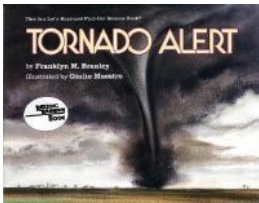


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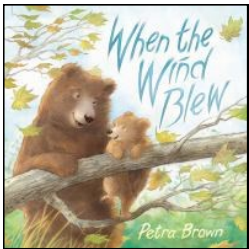
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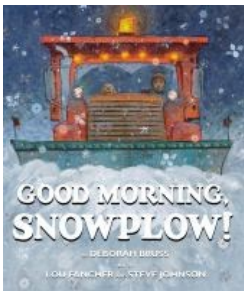
Branley, F. Flash, Crash, Rumble, and Roll. Did you know that lightning bolts can be over a mile long? Or that they may come from clouds that are ten miles high? Storms can be scary, but not if you know what causes them. Before the next thunderstorm, grab this and learn what causes the flash, crash, rumble, and roll of thunderstorms! j 551.554 Branley



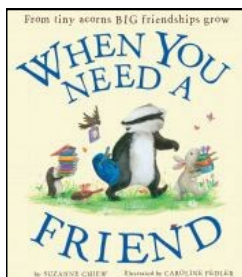
Branley, F. Tornado Alert. Branley explains these powerful storms in simple terms young children can understand. He describes the funnel cloud and how it forms, and also what to do during a tornado. The book ends on a comfortable note, that the idea is not to panic but to know what to do to stay safe. j 551.553 Branley



Brown, P. When the Wind Blew. While Big Bear and Little Bear are snuggled up for the night, a wild storm rages. The bears wake up to find that the wind has knocked down all of the trees in their forest, they'll have to move. Little Bear is distraught. He loves their home! But Big Bear helps him understand that home isn't where you are, but who you're with. jP Brown



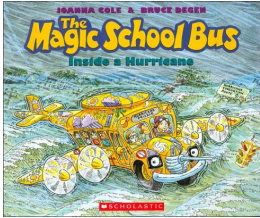
Bruss, D. Good Morning, Snowplow! The story follows a snow plow driver (and his dog) as he says goodnight to his neighborhood and gets ready for an oncoming storm. He picks up his salt, tests his rig, and plows into the blizzard. The man rescues a stranded driver, watches a midnight train blow snow from the tracks, and returns home just as everyone else is waking up. A beautifully illustrated recognition of the hard work done to keep our roads clear and safe in the snow, this will appeal to snow and truck lovers alike! jP Bruss



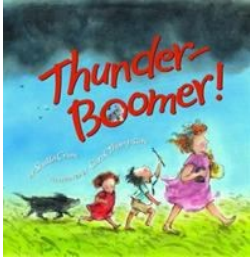
Chiew, S. When You Need a Friend. Badger is home in the old oak tree when his friend Mouse appears. 'Have you heard?' Mouse cries. 'There's a terrible storm coming!' Kindhearted Badger works hard to help his friends keep their homes safe. But now he doesn't have time to reinforce his own home. Will it survive the storm? jP Chiew

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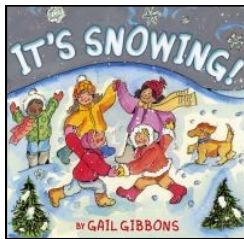
Cole, J. The Magic School Bus Inside a Hurricane. Another wild and wacky field trip for Ms. Frizzle and her intrepid students; this time into the eye of a hurricane. The magic school bus changes into a weather balloon and then into an airplane as the class experiences the hurricane and a spin-off tornado firsthand! j 551.552 Cole



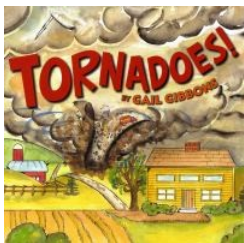
Crum, S. Thunder-Boomer! It's a hot day on the farm, and a little girl, her brother, and their mother are trying to cool off by the pond. Suddenly, dark clouds roll in. A thunder-boomer is on the way! The storm brings pounding rain and hail—and an unexpected visitor: a soggy wet stray kitten. Colorful descriptions of the storm are accompanied by lots of playful sound effects, making this free-verse poem perfect for reading aloud. jP Crum



Gibbons, G. Hurricanes! What in the world is a hurricane? Imagine a force that can toss boats around like toys, wash away bridges, create waves as high as eighteen feet, and change the shape of a shoreline. With fierce winds and torrential rains, hurricanes can do all of these things. In this age of extreme weather, this newly revised edition introduces readers to the concepts of hurricane formation, classification, weather preparedness, and the ever-evolving technology that helps us try to predict the behavior of these powerful storms. j 551.55 Gibbons



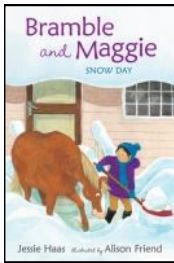
Gibbons, G. It's Snowing! Small, soft flakes fall quietly from above. It's snowing! People like to sled and ski in it, but what exactly is snow? How does it form? Included in this crystal clear introduction to one of winter's wonders is information about different types of snowstorms, regions where snow falls, and how to prepare when a snowstorm approaches. j 551.5784 Gibbons



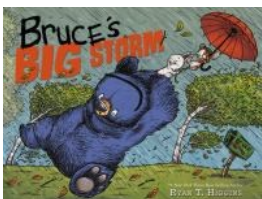
Gibbons, G. Tornadoes! What in the world is a tornado? This newly revised edition has been vetted by weather experts from National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association. Using her trademark combination of clear text and detailed illustrations, Gail Gibbons shares more than fifty tornado facts including how tornadoes form, the scale used for classifying them, and the safest places to go in case one should happen near you. j 551.553 Gibbons

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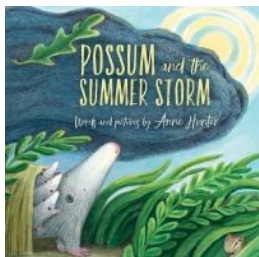
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Haas, J. Bramble and Maggie: Snow Day. The sky is white, the air is cold, and snowflakes are falling. By bedtime, Maggie and her family are ready for the storm. But Bramble is too excited to sleep; she wants to be out in the white, wild world. Luckily for Bramble, she has a shaggy coat to keep her warm. And luckily for Maggie and her family and friends, when morning comes, Bramble can help dig through the deep snow that has most of the neighbors stuck in their homes! jE Haas



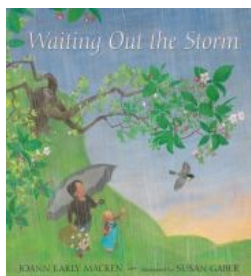
Higgins, R. Bruce's Big Storm. Bruce is back and grumpy as ever! When a big storm is forecast, Bruce just wants to hunker down in his wingback chair with a good book. However, his kids (four geese), housemates (three mice), and all of his animal neighbors have other ideas. As the house becomes a safe haven for the community, the animals enjoy one another's company with their usual chaotic enthusiasm. That is, until they see a little white bunny caught in the storm. Bruce begrudgingly ventures out in the storm (to retrieve his favorite umbrella, of course), but can he save the day? jP Higgins



Hunter, A. Possum and the Summer Storm. Possum calls his children out of the summer storm—but what can he do when their home is swept away by rising water? The possum family must rely on their friends to construct a new house. At first it seems that no other animal's home is suited for a possum, but they come up with something spectacular! jP Hunter



Kenah, K. Flood Warning. You are lying in bed listening to the soft sound of rain. It has been coming down for hours. Now something is changing. The rain sounds harder and louder, and there is water running down the road, which looks like a small river. What is happening? You are hearing and seeing the start of a flood. Read and find out about the different kinds of floods, how they start, and how to stay safe. j 551.489 Kenah

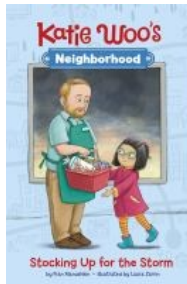


Macken, J. Waiting out the Storm. Out on a hillside as a storm moves in, a young girl and her mother observe the raindrops falling, the thunder rumbling, and the lightning flashing. As they approach their house, the girl manages her fear of the storm by asking where the turtles, chipmunks, and birds go during a storm and her mother explains. Indoors, they settle down in a chair together to watch the rain fall. The conversational, yet poetic text likens the girl and her mother to the animals sheltering, safe and snug, from the storm.

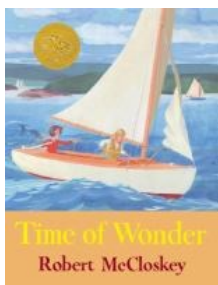
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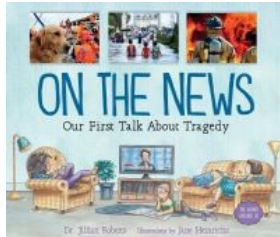
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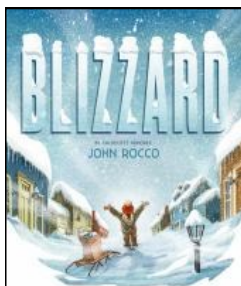
Manushkin, F. Stocking Up for the Storm. A big storm is coming, and Katie is worried: what if they run out of food? So Katie, her parents, and all her neighbors head to Mr. Nelson's grocery store to stock up on supplies...and Katie gets a lesson on smart shopping. Who knew a trip to the store could offer so much? jE Manushkin



McCloskey, R. Time of Wonder. "Out on the islands that poke their rocky shores above the waters of Penobscot Bay, you can watch the time of the world go by, from minute to minute, hour to hour, from day to day . . ." So begins this classic story of one summer on a Maine island. The spell of rain, the gulls and a foggy morning, the excitement of sailing, the quiet of the night, the sudden terror of a hurricane, and, in the end, the peace of the island as the family packs up to leave are shown in poetic language and vibrant, evocative pictures. jP McCloskey



Roberts, J. On The News: Our First Talk About Tragedy. On the News gently introduces young children to the realities of natural disasters, terrorism and other forms of tragedy. In age-appropriate language and tone, Dr. Roberts explains what tragedy is, the feelings it may create and how to manage those feelings. She also emphasizes the good that can come out of tragedy, looking at how people help one another in caring, compassionate and heroic ways. The book's question-and-answer format will help parents have a meaningful conversation about these difficult topics with their children and equip them to better handle questions that arise when children are exposed to the news. j 363.348 Roberts



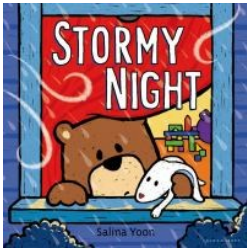
Rocco, J. Blizzard. The book opens with a boy's excitement upon seeing the first snowflake fall outside his classroom window, and continues as he watches his familiar landscape transform into something alien. After the massive blizzard, the boy becomes a hero when he manages to walk to the local store and bring supplies back to his neighborhood which has been snowed in for days. Based on the author's childhood experience during the now infamous Blizzard of 1978, which brought fifty-three inches of snow to his town in Rhode Island. jP Rocco

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Stewart, M. Hurricane Watch. Winds whip. Waves crash. Rain pours down. A superstorm moves across the ocean and gets closer and closer to land. Perfect for budding meteorologists, Hurricane Watch is bursting with fascinating facts paired with engaging visuals and diagrams. Read and find out how hurricanes form, how scientists track the storms, and what you can do to keep yourself safe if one strikes. This picture book also includes a Find Out More section with an activity on air pressure, web research prompts, and a glossary of storm and weather vocabulary. j 551.552 Stewart



Yoon, S. Stormy Night. When thunder shakes his house and rain pounds the windows, Bear is frightened. But comforting his Mama, Papa, and Floppy helps make the storm seem not so scary. Before Bear knows it, the storm has passed, because even storms need their sleep . . . and so do bears.

jP Yoon

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