



# Whatever the Weather

## A Select List of Brown County Library Children's Books (Toddler – Early Elementary)

\* = toddler choices

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### Picture Books and Beginning Readers

#### All Types of Weather:

[Blue Sky](#) by Audrey Wood\*

[Carl's Nose](#) by Karen Schmidt

[Clouette](#) by Tom Lichtenheld

An underdog tale, with petite cumulus Clouette in the starring role. Clouette is eager to carry out all the important cloud tasks, from growing gardens and creating rainbows to gifting children with the ever-anticipated snow days off from school. Overlooked by more large and powerful clouds, Clouette feels unimportant until she is approached by an anxious, parched frog whose pond has evaporated until a puddle. Clouette gathers up her strength to "let it pour" in this empowering tale that doubles as an introduction to the importance of our fluffy, sky dwelling friends. (For ages 3-7).

[Cloudy with a Chance of Meatballs](#) by Judi Barrett (ages 5+)

[Frog and Toad All Year](#) by Arnold Lobel

[Groundhog Weather School](#) by Jean Holub (ages 5+)

This solid scientific introduction to weather concepts gets a kick of merriment when the setting is a "groundhog weather school." Readers learn along with the groundhog pupils as they participate in lessons on seasons, hibernation, forecasting, shadows, and of course, everything groundhog. Perfect for grades k-3, this fact-and pun-filled text is complemented by colorful illustrations brimming with charisma and character.

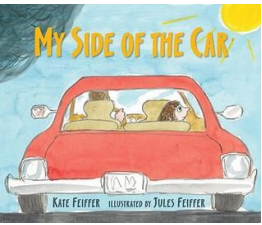
[Have You Ever Seen a Duck in a Raincoat?](#) by Etta Kanner

[Hello, Sun!](#) by Dayle Ann Dodds\*

[If Frogs Made Weather](#) by Marion Dane Bauer

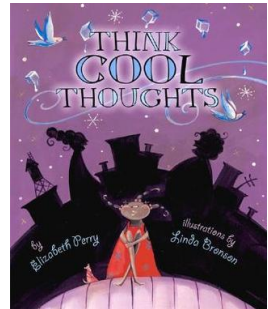
[Inside, Outside](#) by Lizi Boyd

Lizi Boyd's "Inside Outside" is a beautifully engineered look at the concept of outside and inside and the boundaries between. Cleverly placed die-cuts provide connections between the rooms in a young boy's house and the goings-on his back yard. One example: The little boy builds a snowman family with his dog, and one of the snowmen appears as a painting on the boy's easel on the next page. As the wordless story cycles through a year, children ages 4-8 will



appreciate the abundant visual details that reinforce the indoors/outdoors concept while also exploring weather and the four seasons. Whether experienced as a lap-sit story or independent "read," this concept book rewards careful observation with a veritable kaleidoscope of cheerful discoveries.

[Un-brella](#) by Scott Fransen



Rain

[Are You Ready to Play Outside?](#) (beginning reader) by Mo Willems

[Barn Storm](#) (beginning reader) by Charles Ghigna

[Big Brown Bear Goes to Town](#) by David McPhail

[The Big Storm: A Very Soggy Counting Book](#) by Nancy Tafuri\*

[Catty Jane who Hated the Rain](#) by Valeri Gorbachev

[Chicky Chicky Chook Chook](#) by Kathy MacLennan\*

[Dinosaur Thunder](#) by Marion Dane Bauer\*

[Henry and Mudge and the Wild Wind](#) (beginning reader) by Cynthia Rylant

[Just a Big Storm](#) by Mercer Mayer

[Listen to the Rain](#) by Bill Martin

[Little Cloud](#) by Eric Carle\*

[Mr. Gumpy's Motor Car](#) by John Burningham

[Mudkin](#) by Stephen Gammell

An ebullient mud sprite (who resembles a ginger root with an onion head) crowns a delighted girl queen of a kingdom of marvelous mud. A creative, nearly wordless, ode to both mud and imagination.

[Mushroom in the Rain](#) by Mirra Ginsburg\*

[My Side of the Car](#) by Kate Feiffer

[Peach Heaven](#) by Choi Yangsook (ages 6+)

[Rain!](#) by Linda Ashman

A curmudgeonly old gentleman and a cheerful little boy intersect on a rainy day in this sweet yet subtle story about perspective. Arriving at a coffee shop after a day spent griping about the rain our grumpy antihero scowls at the little boy in the green raincoat and froggy hat who is enjoying a hot chocolate and cookie with mom. The little boy has had a great day of puddle splashing, and his enthusiastic and persistent attempts to cheer up the soggy old fellow at the next table eventually pay off. With minimal wording and inviting, splashy illustrations, Ashman's wonderful story shows how a small moment of genuine connection can transform a person's day. (Ages 3-7).

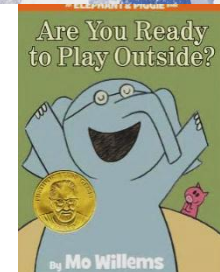
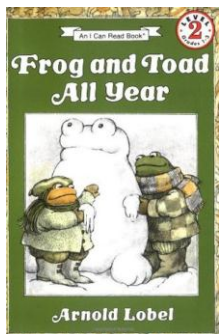
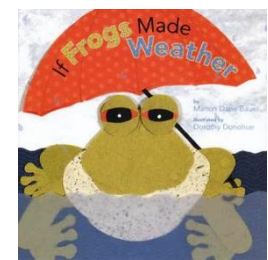
[Rain School](#) by James Rumford

[Rainy Day](#) by Patricia Lakin

[Split! Splat!](#) By Amy Gibson\*

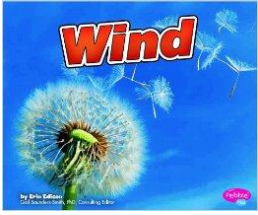
[Thunder-Boomer](#) by Shutta Crum

[Waiting Out the Storm](#) by JoAnn Macken





## Snow



[The Ant and the Grasshopper](#) by Amy Lowry Poole (ages 5+)  
[Annie and Snowball and the Wintry Freeze](#) (beginning reader) by Cynthia Rylant

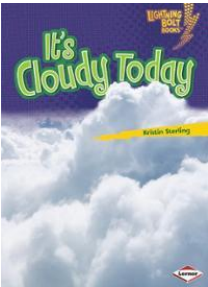
[Cold Snap](#) by Eileen Spinelli

[My Friend Rabbit and the Snow Geese](#) (beginning reader) by Eric Rohmann



[No Two Alike](#) by Keith Baker\*

Set on a snowy, tranquil day, this minimally-worded concept book teaches about the uniqueness of every creature and object, from snowflakes to cardinals to country roads. The brief rhyme and cheerful yet serene full-page illustration celebrate nature and individuality. Two sprightly cardinal friends cavort across each page. Share this book with toddlers and preschoolers; the large format makes this a perfect choice for group sharing.



[Snow Wonder](#) (beginning reader) by Charles Ghigna

[The Snowy Day](#) by Ezra Jack Keats\*

[A Snowy Day in Bugland](#) (beginning reader) by David Carter

[Winter is for Snow](#) by Robert Neubecker

## Sunny/ Hot Days:

[Amanda Pig and the Really Hot Day](#) (beginning reader) by Jean Van Leeuwen

[Brownie & Pearl Take a Dip](#) by Cynthia Rylant\*

[Come on Rain](#) by Karen Hesse

[Happy Dog Sizzles!](#) by Lisa Grubb

[Heat Wave](#) by Eileen Spinelli (ages 6 +)

[Lila and the Secret of Rain](#) by David Conway

[Mrs. McNosh Hangs Up her Wash](#) by Sarah Weeks

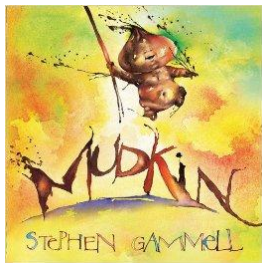
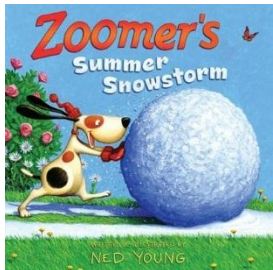
[One Hot Summer Day](#) by Nina Crews\*

[Think Cool Thoughts](#) by Elizabeth Perry (ages 6+)

[Thirsty Thursday](#) by Phyllis Root\*

[Wet Dog!](#) by Elise Broach

[Zoomer's Summer Snowstorm](#) by Ned Young

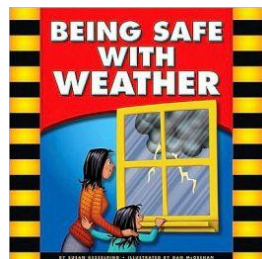


## Windy Weather:

[Flora's Very Windy Day](#) by Jeanne Birdsall

[Leaf Man](#) by Lois Ehlert

A sprightly man made of vibrant leaves and acorn eyes pops against the solid colored backgrounds in this ode to nature collage. Leaf man is discovered by a



child in a leaf pile, but then he drifts skyward in the autumn wind, leaving the unseen narrator to ponder his destination. Leaf man drifts by cows in a field, a fish on the river, a flock of geese, and a grouping of butterflies, all constructed of hyper-saturated leaves. The photographic end pages identify a flurry of seeds and leaves, adding a scientific layer to this dreamy tale. This simple yet ponderous story encourages young readers to make their own leaf-art creations.

[The Longest Night](#) by Marion Dane Bauer

[Rough Weather Ahead for Walter the Farting Dog](#) by William Kotzwinkle

[Super Duck](#) by Jez Alborough

[Whoosh!](#) by Sally Derby

[Whose Hat Is It?](#) (beginning reader) by Valeri Gorbachev

[The Wind Blew](#) by Pat Hutchins\*

## Non-Fiction

[Being Safe with Weather](#) by Susan Kesserling

[How's the Weather?](#) (series) by Pebble Plus Publishers\*

[Ice is Nice: All About the North and South Poles](#) (beginning reader) by Bonnie Worth

[The Magic School Bus Rides the Wind](#) (beginning reader) by Anne Capeci

[Our Four Seasons](#) (series) by Lightning Bolt Books

[Rain/Wind](#) (beginning readers) by Marion Dane Bauer

[Snowy Weather Days](#) by Katie Marisco

[Storms](#) (beginning reader) by Miriam Goin

[Weather Basics](#) (series) by Pebble Plus Publishers\*

[Weather Watch](#) (series) by Child's World

[What's the Weather Like?](#) (series) by Lightning Books



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