

# RAINY DAY

## nature play ideas

- 1 Go out into the rain to catch raindrops on your tongue.
- 2 Can you find any mud or muddy puddles? Try making a mud sculpture with any mud you find.
- 3 Have a go at jumping in puddles.
- 4 Search for worms or snails after a rain shower.
- 5 Drop items from nature into a puddle to see which makes the biggest splash.
- 6 See how deep you can push a stick into the ground after it has rained.
- 7 Make potions in a puddle, mixing in grass, leaves and petals.
- 8 Can you find something outside to use to collect some rain? How much can you collect?
- 9 Can you swirl a stick very quickly around in a puddle to make a whirlpool? Float a small leaf on the surface and see what happens.
- 10 Try to splash all of the water out of a puddle.
- 11 Build a dam or bridge using sticks and leaves in a flowing stream of rainwater.
- 12 Stand under a tree after it has rained and gently shake the branches to create your own rain shower.
- 13 Float a large leaf on a puddle. Can you balance a stone on the leaf? Does it sink?
- 14 Make a mud masterpiece, using dirt, rainwater and nature items to whip up some muddy art.
- 15 Visit a waterfall. Try Lesmurdie Falls at Mundy Regional Park, Serpentine Falls, Hovea Falls or National Park Falls at John Forrest National Park.
- 16 Make a "rain trail". Walk barefoot in wet grass or puddles and see the prints you leave behind.
- 17 Practise your rock skipping skills! Find some flat rocks and skim them across the surface of a pond, lake or stream.
- 18 Enjoy a stompy sing-a-long on a patch of muddy ground.
- 19 Open a mud restaurant. Serve up muddy dishes to your family or friends.
- 20 Count the seconds between the flash of lighting and the sound of thunder on a stormy day.
- 21 Look for birds while it's raining. Are they huddled in a tree?

