The background is a watercolor-style illustration of a sky. It features several large, fluffy white clouds with soft, irregular edges, set against a background of various shades of blue. The colors transition from a deep, rich blue at the top to a lighter, sky-blue at the bottom. The overall texture is soft and painterly.

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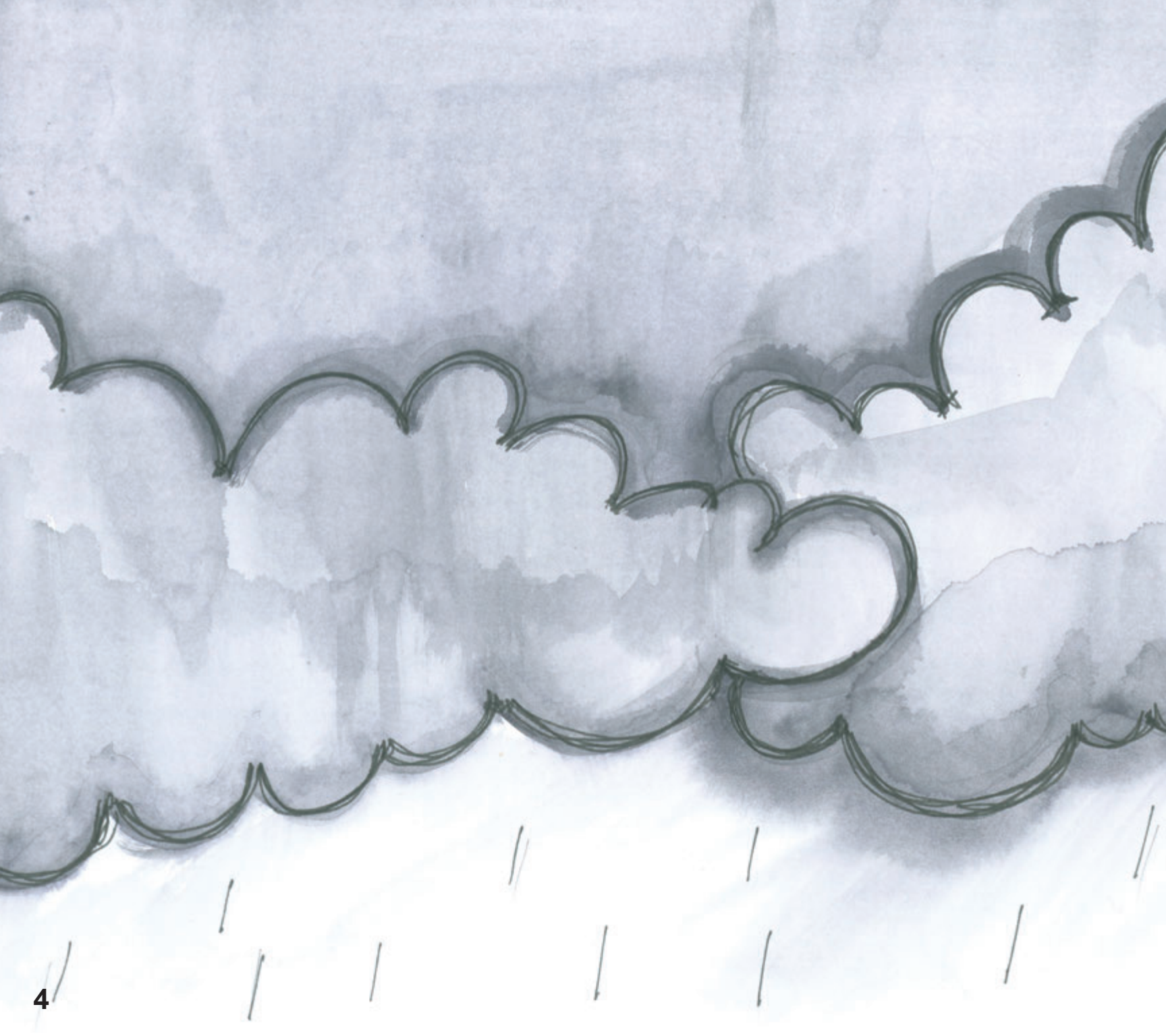
Early Childhood
Hands-On Science



On any cloudy day you can observe the clouds in the sky.
Look up high, see them soar and fly.

Some are big and some are small.
On this day they are big, white and
fluffy just like whipped cream on an
ice cream sundae.







One day I noticed that the clouds were not white. The sky was dark, the clouds were gray and something was falling from the sky.

What could it be?

You guessed it, rain!

Rain was falling from the clouds in the sky to the ground. The people in the streets were running to stay dry.

Some people were prepared that day. They had special rain gear, like raincoats and umbrellas, that helped them stay dry.



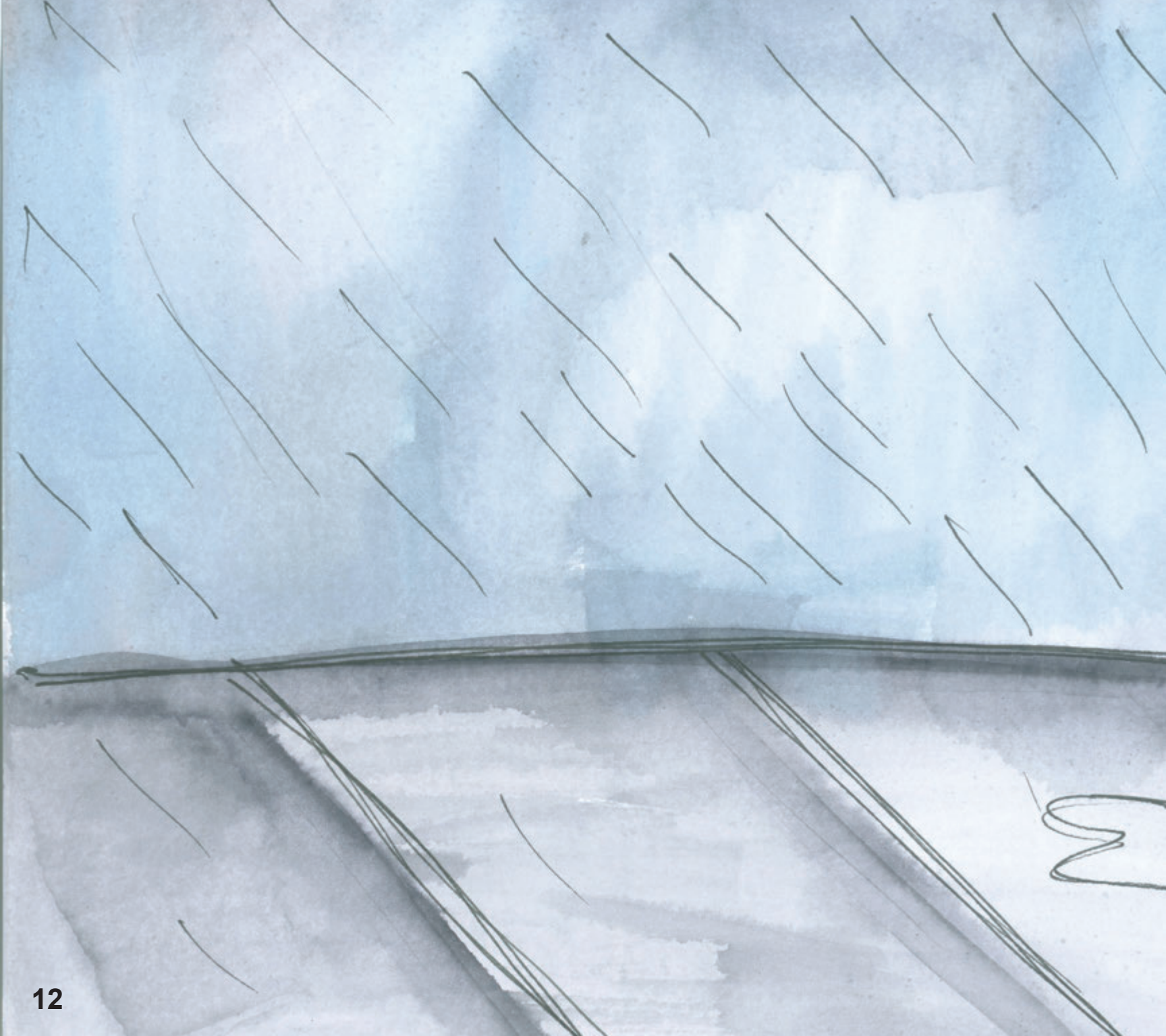


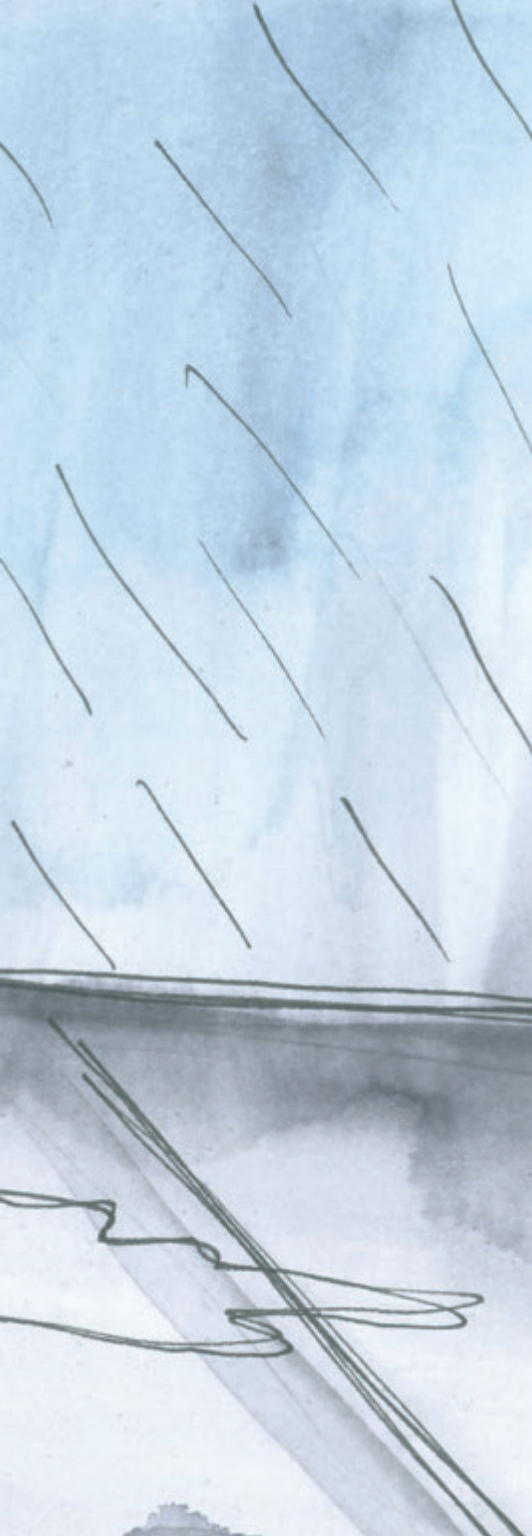
The rain made puddles on the ground.
When people stepped in them, there was
a SPLASH sound!





It was raining a lot!
Not a little, but a lot!
Pitter-patter was the sound
of the rain that day.





Let's make the sound together.

Repeat after me:

pitter-patter,

pitter-patter.

Pitter-patter went the rain that day until. . .



... it STOPPED!