

Fiction

# The Storm

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The illustration depicts a storm at night. A large, two-story house with a red roof and a chimney is the central focus. The house has two windows with yellow light glowing from inside. The chimney is emitting a plume of white smoke. The house is situated on a green hillside. In the background, there are several trees with dark, gnarled trunks and green foliage. The sky is dark blue with white rain falling diagonally across the scene. A crescent moon is visible in the upper right. The overall style is a vibrant, stylized illustration.

## STRATEGIES & SKILLS

### Comprehension

**Strategy:** Visualize

**Skill:** Key Details

### High-Frequency Words

are, is, was, with

### Phonics

Review initial *b*, final *ck*,  
short *e*, initial *f*, initial *h*,  
initial *k*, initial *l*, initial *r*

Word count: 127



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The sky was dark.  
Rick said, "Looks like rain!"

"It is going to storm,"  
Bella said.



Mom said, "Let's bring everything inside. Then it will stay safe."

Bella helped Mom carry the table.



Rick said, "I'll put away  
Kelly's bike."  
He put his bat and ball  
away too.



Rick looked around.  
Everything was put away.  
It would all be safe.



“What if the lights go out?”  
Rick asked.

“I hope they do. We will  
see with flashlights!”  
Bella said.





The night was black.  
The wind bent the trees.  
Rain hit the house hard.



Mom read books aloud.  
Dad made sandwiches.

Rick said, "We are fine!  
But I hope the sun comes  
back tomorrow!"

## Literacy Activities



### Stormy Weather

Talk to your partner about the book. What did the family do to get ready for the rainstorm?



### Ready For Rain!

Draw a picture of what you do to get ready for the rain. Write about your picture.



# Stormy Weather

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