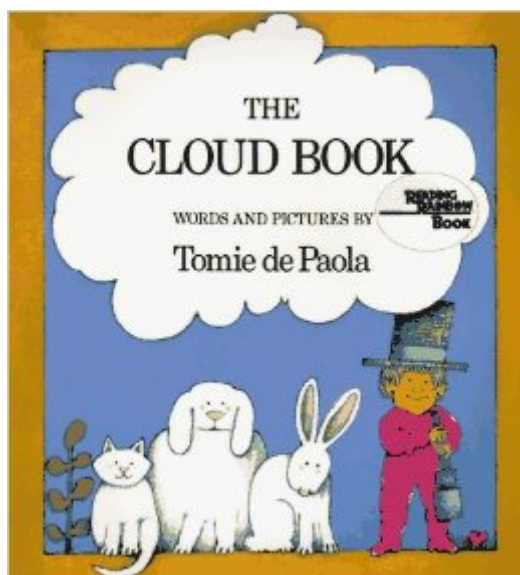


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# The Cloud Book



## Synopsis

Introduces the ten most common types of clouds, the myths that have been inspired by their shapes, and what they can tell about coming weather changes.

## Book Information

Lexile Measure: 680L (What's this?)

Paperback: 32 pages

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Age Range: 5 - 8 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 3

## Customer Reviews

I've been a true fan of Tomie De Paola for some time and wanted to let everyone know that this is one of his greatest! This has been a great hit with my niece, as well as with all the kids I work with (preschoolers & school age). Make sure you put this one in both your home and school library. This book was also very helpful to use during our "weather" theme!

My first grade students particularly enjoyed this story while studying out weather unit. The book provided scientific names of clouds in an easy to understand way. It had a good mixture of fact and fiction. The pictures were very entertaining to the children. Every child in my class was engaged in the reading and was ready to go out and look at the clouds and call them by their real names when I had finished reading. I highly recommend this book.

What more do you need to say? It's a Tomie de Paola book. He's definitely one of the better writers/illustrators out there. "The Cloud Book" is a good, first introduction to the science behind

clouds while at the same time entertaining the children. Teachers and parents should buy this book!

The Cloud Book is an informative book about clouds, which can be used to integrate reading and science. In this book, the author uses funny illustrations to introduce types of clouds, along with their specific characteristics. The book also includes an index, so that the reader can look for a particular cloud. Also included are different culture's views on clouds and their meanings. The facts presented correspond with information that is deemed scientifically correct, but the author does not cite a source. The information is up-to-date, and the illustrations do not look dated. There is a clear distinction between scientific fact and the theories of different people groups. The information is structured well. The book explains how clouds are formed, then examines each cloud type and its characteristics. Each cloud type is compared to objects that are easily identifiable. The index, which lists the cloud types in alphabetical order, is very helpful. The illustrations, along with the text, intertwine fact with humor. The cartoon style lends itself to exaggeration. The style of the text is also comical. It is clearly for younger children, but an adult reader would also enjoy reading this aloud. The author also illustrates idioms about fog and clouds, painting a humorous view of the English language. The book is concluded with a "Very Silly Cloud Story," which is nonsensical. Classroom Activity: After completing the story, the students will make cloud journals, in which they will chart clouds for an entire week. Students will write about cloud types, cloud shapes, questions about clouds and other observations. Age Group: This book can be read aloud to 2nd through 3rd graders, with independent reading recommended for 4th graders.

The Cloud Book is a great book for the curious little scientists or meteorologists in your home. To tell you the truth, I thought that this book would be boring. Who wants to read a book about clouds out of science class? But, this book came a surprise to me. It explained clouds in a fun way, making you want to learn about them. The illustrations and metaphors help you understand, while teaching you about them at the same time. The illustrations help you relate everyday objects to those confusing scientific words. Only Tomie de Paola could compare the cumulus clouds with a cauliflower or the cirrus cloud with mare's tails. He also tells folk tales and legends that go along with the clouds. This book is a must on the bookshelf of any future meteorologist!

This book is very informative about clouds. My 4th graders liked the illustrations. If you want to use this book as an Accelerated Reader book, be aware that the quiz is very specific. This is not a book that your students can read once or twice and pass the quiz. They need to know each kind of cloud

and their descriptions. This book provides that, but the content is hard for students to remember if they haven't been studying it.

I used this book for my grade 2 literacy book that incorporated a science activity. It has great artwork and gives simple understanding of the what is it, what does it do, and hows of cloud types (which are part of framework and benchmarks). It also tells of what other cultures and times thought of the clouds. Overall a great book with great real-life comparisons.

half of the sentences on page 5 of the story are missing. I returned the book once because I thought it was a misprint but the 2nd book I received was the same. I didn't want to return a 2nd time because I figured it would come to me the same way. Otherwise great service from .

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