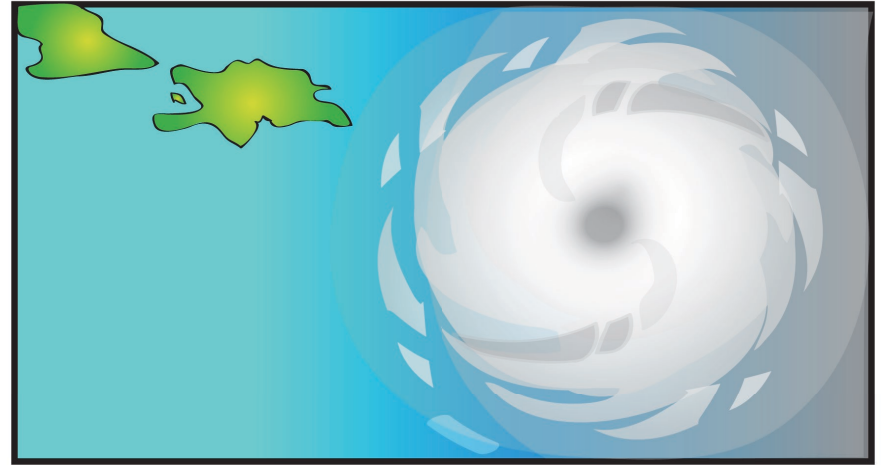


# What is a hurricane?

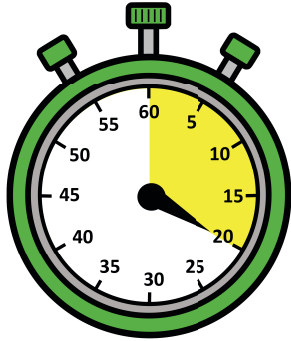


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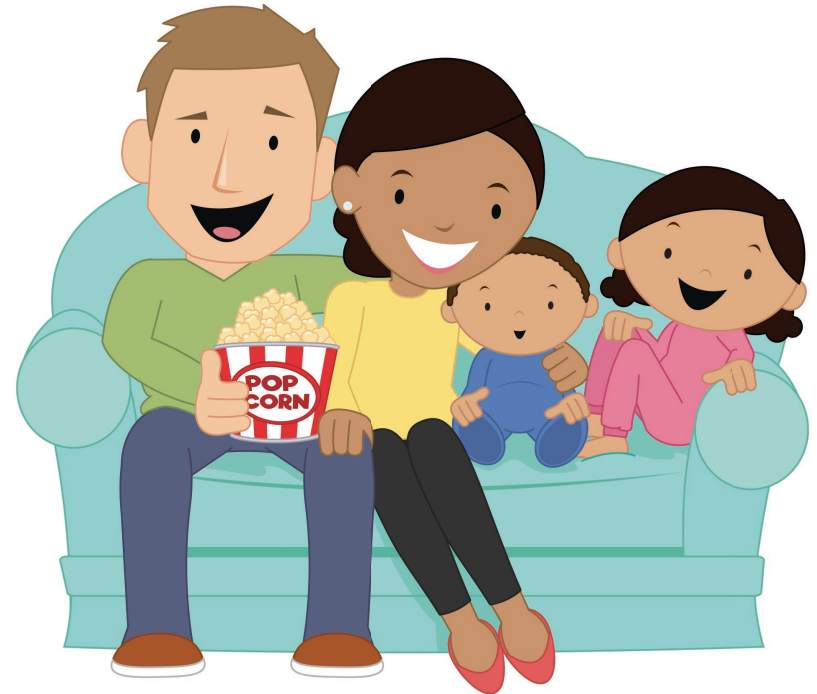


Hurricanes are storms that form in the ocean. Sometimes they make their way to land.





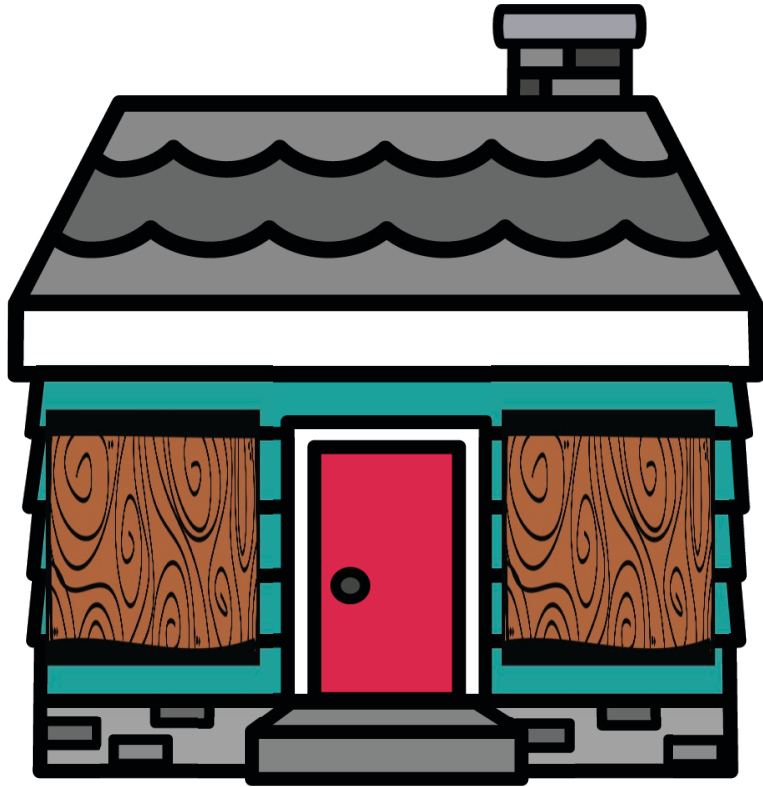
Unlike some emergencies, we know when a hurricane is coming. This gives us time to get ready.



If a hurricane is going to visit us, then we need to take steps to make everyone safe.



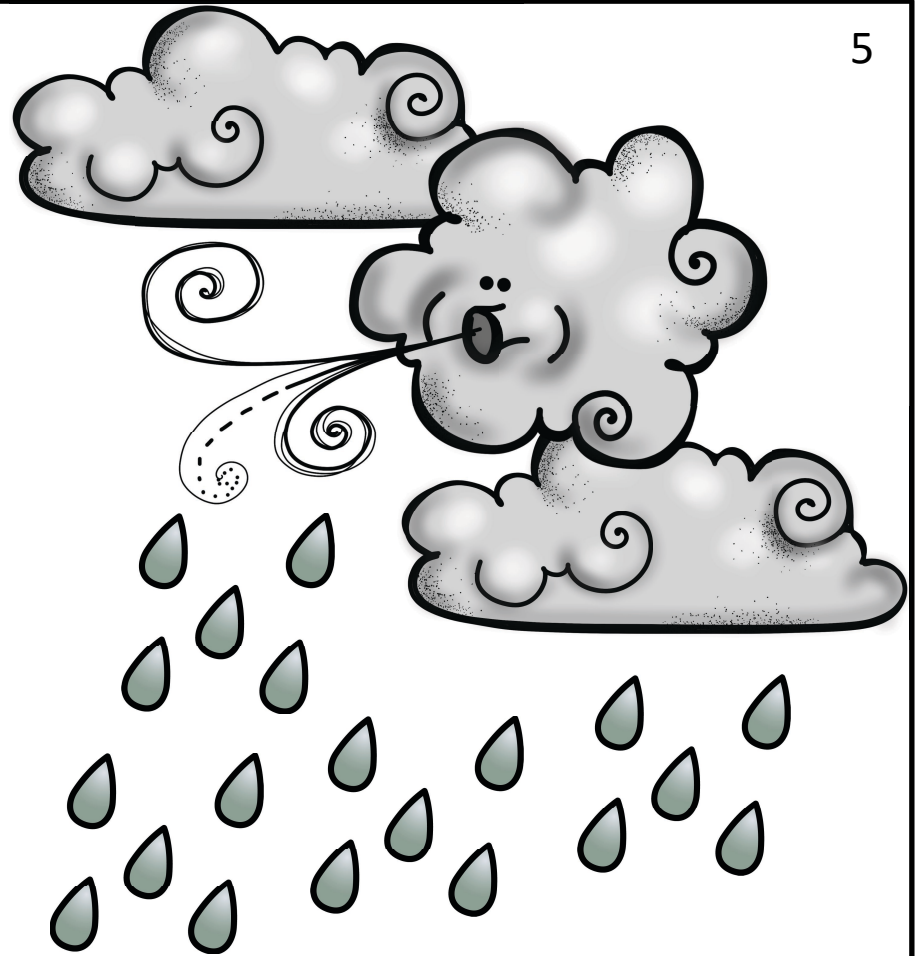
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We may have to cover windows, bring furniture inside or visit a friend or family member for a short time.



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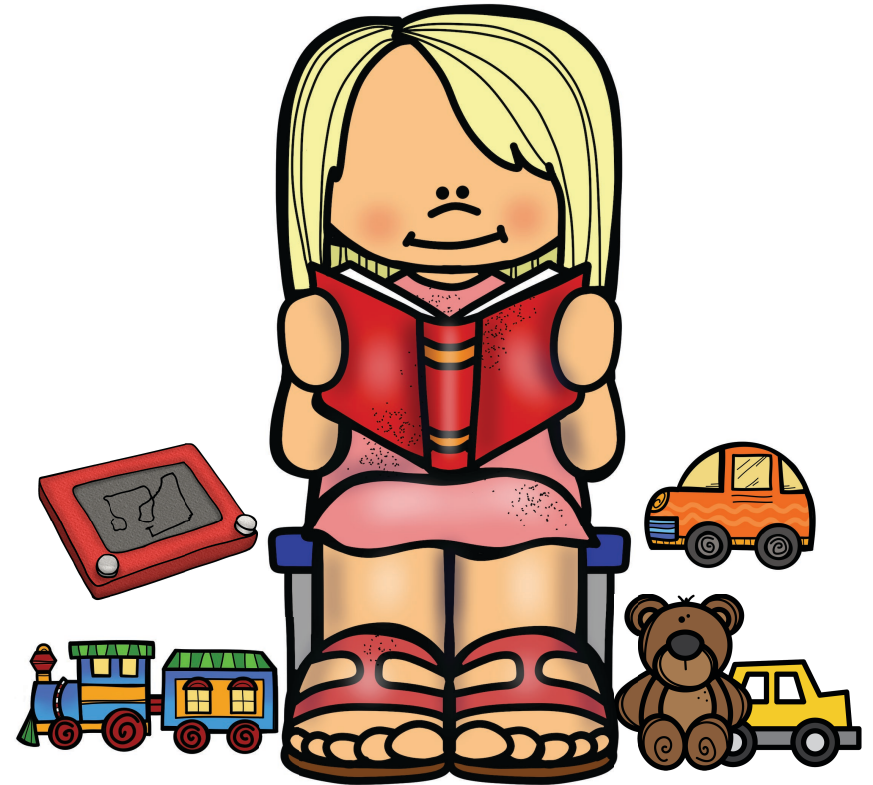


When the hurricane comes the sky will turn dark and it will begin to get windy and rain.





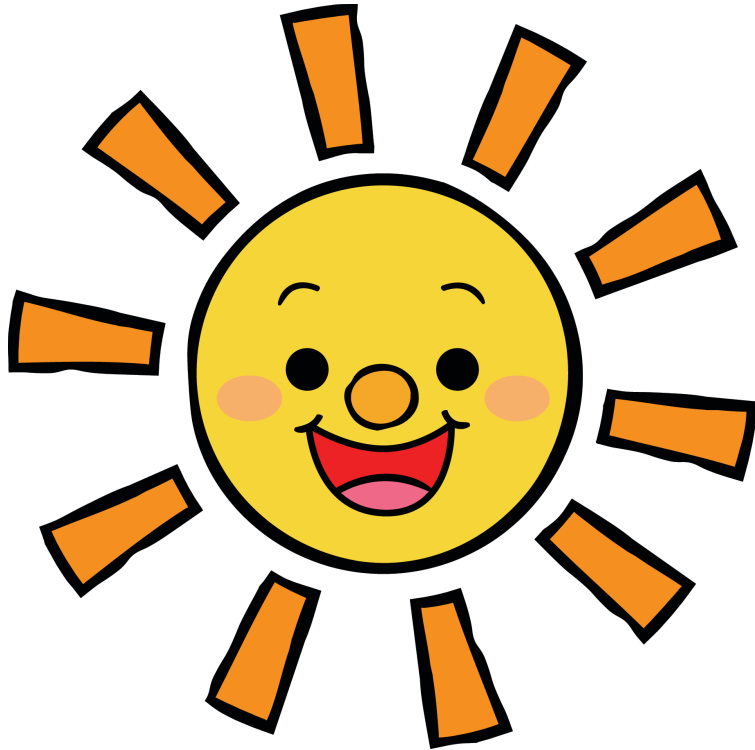
Can you tell me what noise wind makes? It might howl and make some strange noises!



During the hurricane, it is important to stay inside. You can build a fort, read a book or play with your favorite toys to help pass the time.







After the hurricane has visited  
the sun will come back out!

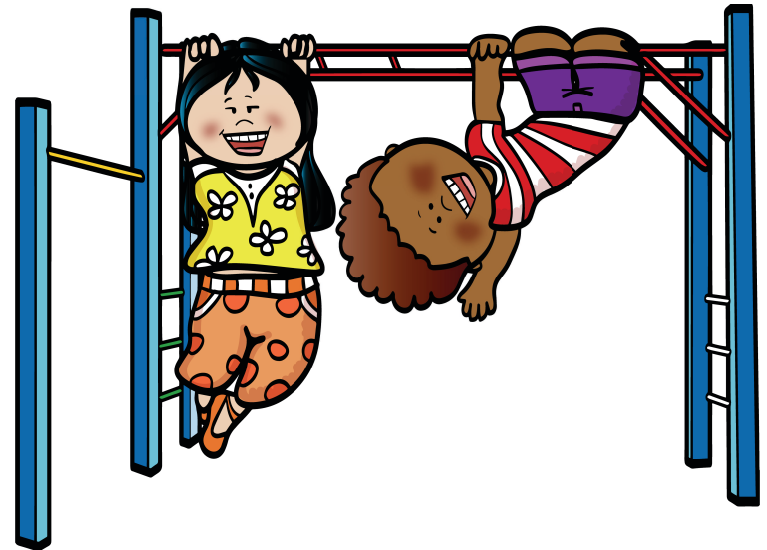


There may also be a mess that  
needs to be picked up. Sometimes  
hurricanes damage trees, bushes,  
cars and even houses.





Once the grownups have picked up the mess, then we can start fixing up any damage.



It may take a little time, but things will get back to normal and we can go back outside and play.



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