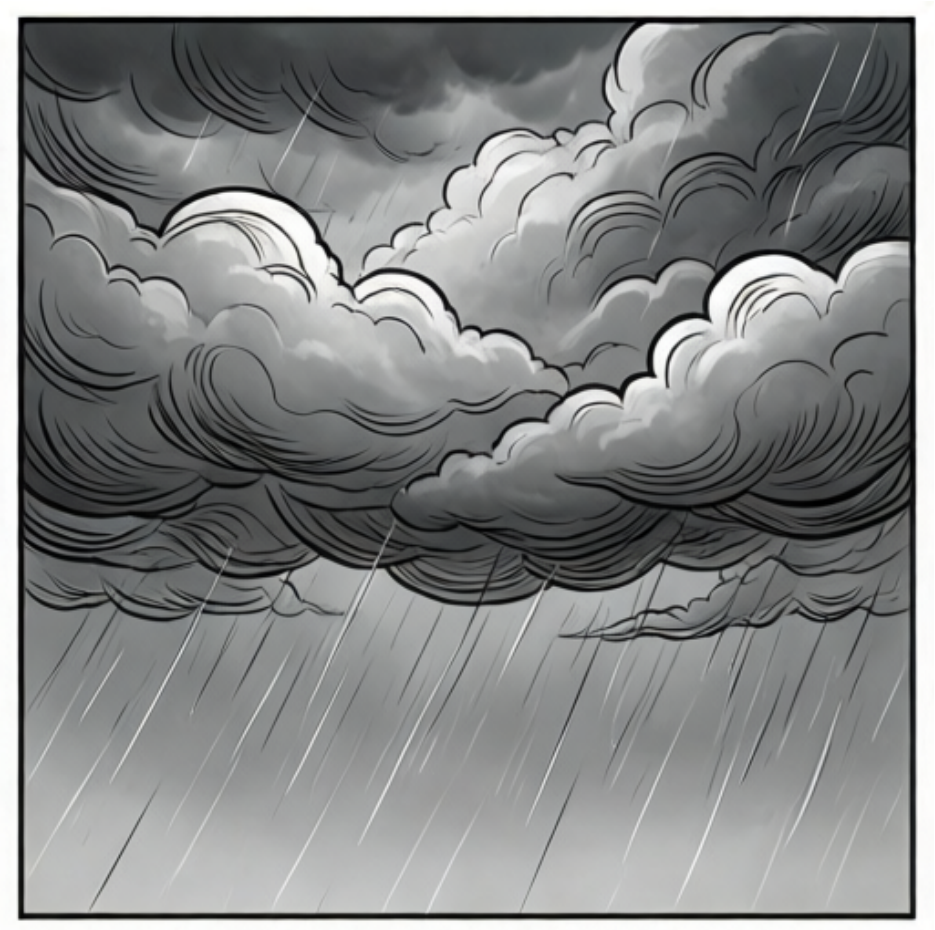
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Topic reference / ordinary illustration



Ordinary topic reference. Hypothetical dimensions in the four tasks are supplied in their own text; this illustration is not their measured answer.

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Worked example / complete source key

On an 18 cm by 12 cm sky panel, place three cloud bands and rain streaks. Use a tonal key L, M, D. The lower band is darkest and largest, the middle band is mid-toned, and the top band is lightest. Rain streaks follow one direction, about 20 degrees from vertical, and are denser under the lower band.

Answer: Draw faint guides at 4 cm and 8 cm from the bottom. Lower band: rounded wedges across the bottom third, shaded D, with a darker underside edge. Middle band: smaller wedges overlapping slightly above 4 cm, shaded M. Top band: smallest wedges near 8 cm, shaded L. Mark a direction arrow at 20 degrees from vertical outside the panel. Add streaks 1 to 2 cm long under the lower band spaced about 1 cm apart, then shorter and wider-spaced streaks under the middle band. Check that lower band is darker than middle, middle darker than top, and all streaks parallel to the arrow.