

Let's Find Out About It Umbrellas

Standard Connection: ELA.L.PK4.1d ELA.SL.PK4.3 M.G.PK4.5 S.PS.PK4.2 PD.FM.PK4.4

Enduring Understanding(s):

• Weather can inspire artistic expression and provide opportunities for recreation.

Essential Question(s):

• How do living things work together to solve problems and accomplish goals?

Materials	Vocabulary	Books
 Gilberto and the Wind images of umbrellas (see Resource) child's umbrella 	canopy: a cloth hung over something fabric: a type of cloth handle: to hold with hands shelter: a safe place	GILBERTO AND THE WIND
small bin or tubspray bottle of water	water-repellent: does not let water in curved: round, not straight	BY MARIE HALL ETS

Let's Find Out About It:		
Preparation: Set up materials.		
"In <i>Gilberto and the Wind</i> , the wind blew Gilberto's umbrella and broke it." "Here are images of umbrellas. What do you notice?"	Show illustrations. Children respond.	
"Here is the umbrella's canopy . How does the shape of the canopy provide shelter - protection - from the rain?"	Trace the umbrella's canopy. Children respond.	
"What do you notice when I spray water on the umbrella?"	Model spraying water gently on umbrella. Children respond.	
"Umbrellas are made with water-repellent fabric - the fabric doesn't let water in."	Point to water running off the umbrella.	
"Umbrellas sometimes have curved handles that make it easier to hold onto them in a strong wind."	Trace curved handle. Model holding the handle in a strong wind.	

