



Bad storms. Bush fires.



Storm



There may be

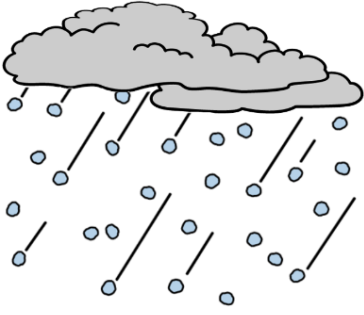
- rain
- wind
- thunder.



There may be lightning.

It can hit things. Like a tree. It can start a fire.

Trees may fall over.



Hail

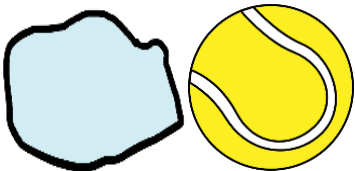
A storm can have hail.

Hail is bits of ice. It falls from the sky. Like rain.

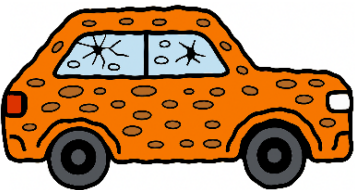


It may be small bits. Like the size of a coin.

Or



Hail may be big. Like the size of a tennis ball.



Big hail may break things. Like

- make big dints to your car
- break windows.

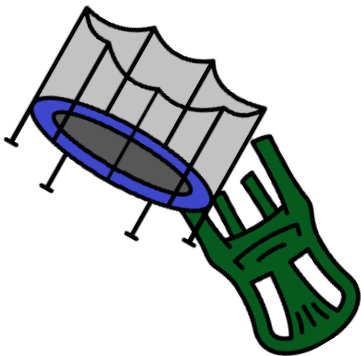


Cyclone

It is like a storm. There can be

- very very strong wind.
- lots and lots of rain.

It can go for a long time. It can be a short time.



It can blow things away. It may be

- big toys that are outside
- chairs that are outside
- bits of trees. Like a big branch.



Bits of your home may break. Like the windows.

Bits of your home may blow away.

Like your roof.

Water may come in your home.



Flood

There is a lot of water.



The water may wash things away. Like

- your fence
- your bike.

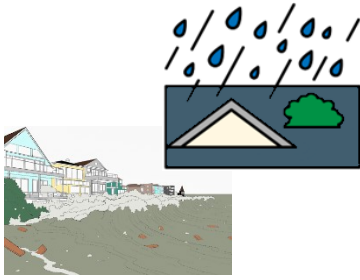


Water may come in your home.

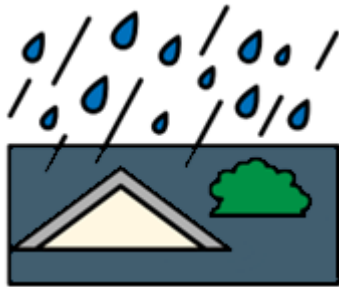


Your home may wash away.

There is a lot of rubbish in the water.



There are different floods.



It may rain for lots of days.

The river is full. The water can **not** go away.

The water covers the roads. It covers your land.



The water may be from the beach.

The sea water goes past the sand.

We call it a storm tide.



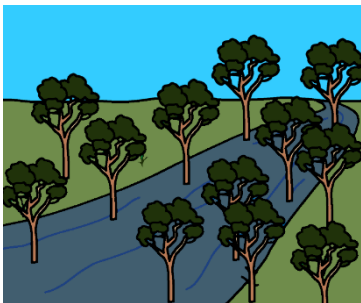
You had no rain.

But



There was lots of rain.

It was a long way from you.



The water comes down the river.

The river is high. It has more water in it.



You live near the river.

The water is on the roads.

It comes in your home.



Bush fire



A bush fire can burn

- houses
- farms
- bush land.



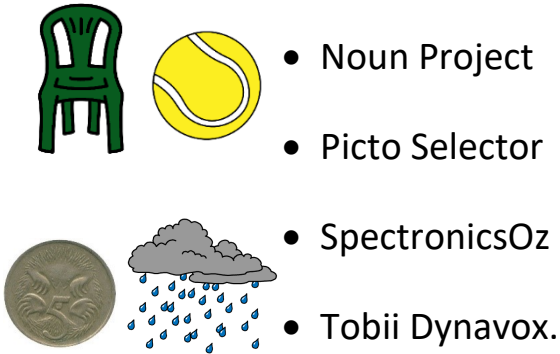
It can move fast.

It may burn more things. Like the

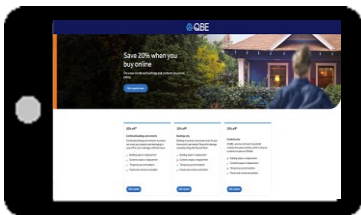
- shops
- school
- library.

Images

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