

The Rainy Day

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Todd was so excited to try out his new kite he got for his birthday. He waited all week. Finally, Saturday came. Todd woke up early and heard noises on the roof. Suddenly, the noises got louder, and Todd heard thunder and saw lightning. "Oh no!" cried Todd. "Now I won't be able to fly my kite." Todd ran to the window in hopes of seeing the heavy rain starting to stop. However, it started to rain even harder. "Well, I guess I won't be flying my kite today," Todd told his mother.

Mom told Todd to call a friend, and they could play some of Todd's board games in the closet that he hasn't played with in a very long time. Todd thought this was a great idea. He called his two best buddies, Kyle and William. William had a dentist appointment, but Kyle said he would be over in about an hour.

Todd went upstairs and found his checkers game and his Monopoly game. Monopoly was his favorite. He loved buying all the hotels on the game board. Todd heard the doorbell ring and ran to answer it. Kyle was there at last! Kyle was very wet, but he didn't seem to mind. Kyle brought the game Battleship. He said he wanted to make sure they had enough games to keep them busy on this rainy day.

Mom made lunch for the boys and they went back to playing their games. Around two o'clock, the rain had stopped. Todd went to the window and looked out. The room became brighter. The sun was starting to shine and there was enough wind to fly Todd's new kite. "Let's go out back and give my kite a try," said Todd. "That's a great idea," said Kyle. The two boys went outside and ran with the kite. Suddenly, the wind picked it up and sailed it high into the sky. They each took turns controlling the kite. It was four o'clock and time for Kyle to go home. The boys said they had a great "rainy day". Not only did they play some fun board games, but also Kyle learned a lesson that if you are patient, things will turn out just fine. "Wow!" said Kyle to his mom. "That kite sure can fly."



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 - C. Play video games
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3. How would you describe Todd **when he saw it raining**?
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 - B. Excited
 - C. Disappointed
 - D. Happy

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 - B. Cards
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