



# Rain Cycle: A Denver Soundwalk



## Before You Walk:

What does “rain” mean to you? Draw a picture or jot some words down.

## While You Walk:

### Cloud Cover

1. Who do you think is the narrator of this song?
2. What letter of the alphabet do you hear the singers singing? Can you sing that letter too?
3. Does Denver have very many days with cloud cover? What are the clouds like today?

### Rain

1. Do you hear sounds other than voices?
2. How does the song make you see the world around you?
3. Do you notice things with your eyes when you stop to listen with your ears?
4. How does the music create the feeling of a rainstorm?



### Tempest

1. Did the start of this song surprise you?
2. What kind of weather pattern might surprise you?
3. What do you think inspired the composer to write this piece?

### Distant Trains

1. Where do you think this train is going?
2. What are the people on the train thinking about?

### Flies

1. If you were a fly, what would your song sound like?

### Bees

1. What do you think the bees are singing about?
2. What does your bee buzz sound like?

### Wind Chimes

1. There are different wind chimes made of different materials in this area. How do the wind chimes sound different from each other?
  - Aluminum:
  - Wood:
  - Glass:



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## Spring

1. How many types of trees do you see from this spot?
2. How do those trees change from winter to spring?

## Birds

1. If you were a bird, what would your bird call sound like?

## Hornet's Nest

1. How does this sound make you feel? (It's okay not to like a noise - feel free to leave an area if it doesn't feel good to you.)
2. When you find sounds you enjoy, think about why you might like that sound, too! What is a sound you enjoy?

## General

1. Can you tell when there are two tracks/noises/songs playing at the same time?



## **Post Walk Reflection**

1. Take out a writing utensil and sketch how you're feeling. There's no right or wrong way to draw how you feel! Use colors, lines, shapes, or whatever design you like to express your mood.

1. What was your favorite piece and why?
2. Were there any sounds you didn't really like? How do unpleasant sounds make you feel?
3. What does the word "rain" make you think about or feel now? Has it changed from before you started your walk?