

Cloud Finder:



1. Carefully cut out the 2 pieces. (including the centre hole)
2. Stick the two shapes back to back - now the pictures will match the names and descriptions.
3. Use and stick, stiff card or lolly stick as a handle.
4. Lay back and look through the window...
What clouds can you see?
5. Can you see any shapes?

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Is it raining, but only drizzly, with small raindrops?

Your cloud is a **nimbostratus**

Is it a high wispy cloud, like a horse's tail?

Your cloud is a **cirrus**

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If it is a low cloud, so low it's hard to see the bottom and it covers most of the sky, it is a **stratus**

Hold up your hand to the cloud. If the puffs are the size of your fist (large), your cloud is a **cumulus**

If your cloud is nearly solid layer of large puffs (the size of your fist or larger), your cloud is **stratocumulus**

If it's raining with thunder, lightning, & heavy rain?

Your cloud is a **cumulonimbus**

If your cloud is high, thin, and the sun is shining casting distinct shadows, it is a **cirrostratus**.

Hold up your hand to the cloud. If the puffs are the size of your thumb (medium-sized), your cloud is **altocumulus**

Hold your hand towards the cloud. If puffs are fingernail size (very small), the cloud is a **cirrocumulus**

If it is thicker, the sun is dimmer, and there are hardly any shadows, it is an **altostratus**



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