



Teacher's Guide

The White Curtain

Moko

Grade Levels:

K-5

Subject Areas:

Reading

Writing/Composition

Media Literacy/Critical Thinking

Earth Sciences

Synopsis:

As Alarick and Moko are chopping wood for their fire, they see a great white cloud by the mountain. Moko wants to go investigate, despite Alarick's warning. Along the way, they meet a woman who helps guide them to the top of the mountain when they are swept up in the wind.

Learning Objectives: Students will:

- Enjoy the origin story presented in this program.
- Understand what a snow storm is and why they might be dangerous.
- Evaluate Moko's reasoning and conclusions.

Vocabulary:

Origin story, folktale, meteorology, weather, precipitation, snow, snow storm, snow squall, blizzard, North Pole, South Pole

Pre-Viewing Discussion:

Have you ever been caught in a snow storm? Describe what that was like.

Do you like snow? Why or why not? When is snow fun and when does it make things more difficult?

Post-Viewing Discussion:

What happened to Moko and Alarick when they left the woman's house? Why did they think she was a magician?

Where are snowstorms most common?

Further Activities:

Research significant weather events in your town's history. What happened and when? How did residents cope with the weather?