

## **9. Weather Rhythms** by Carole Stephens ©2003

Can be done with claves, rhythm sticks, lummi sticks, chopsticks or pointer fingers! Spoken lines are bolded. Start sitting on the floor, V-seat or cross-legged.

**I like sunshine, I like sunshine** (tap to the rhythm)

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**A little rain begins to fall** (hit floor alternating sticks),

**Getting louder, and louder, until it's a thunder storm:**

**BOOM! BOOM!** (hit floor both sticks)

**And the lightening flashes** (zigzag sticks from high to low)

**And the wind begins to blow, whoosh!** (swing sticks in unison from side-to-side)

**And it turns I-CY COLD! I-CY COLD!** (tap on each syllable: I – Cy – Cold)

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**Then the snow falls, silently.** (wiggle sticks from high to low)

**And the snow turns back into rain** (tap sticks on the floor very fast!)

**But it gets softer, and softer** (slow tempo of tapping)

**Until it's just pit pat, pit pat.** (tap on each syllable: pit – pat)

**Then the sun comes out: I like sunshine!** (tap the rhythm as above)

**And when the sun comes out with the rain, a beautiful rainbow appears in the sky.**

(sticks connected overhead.)

**And that's the weather for today!** (slowly bring sticks to the floor in front of you)