

# About Parenting News

## Theme: Come Rain or Come Shine (week 1)



### WordUp word of the week: **Normal**

How was this word chosen? This is an academic word, the kind of word that takes lots of exposures to learn, and that children will need to know to read texts successfully in the years to come.

The Abound app gives your child 7 opportunities to hear and use the week's abstract word. For extra practice, here are 2 more questions about this week's word, **NORMAL**.

(**NORMAL** definition: ordinary, not unusual, not strange; doing things the way things are usually done. Physically healthy (i.e., a **NORMAL** temperature.)

- Do you like having a **NORMAL** Saturday, where you do the things you usually do, or do you like having lots of different kinds of things planned? Why?
- Do you think that dogs **NORMALLY** hate the rain or other bad weather, or do you think most dogs like being outside no matter what the weather is like?

**This week's featured *TalkOn* questions to inspire more TALK at home:**  
(Find new questions each day on the Abound app!)

- Water **freezes** when the temperature is **32 degrees Fahrenheit**. We say it's **below freezing** outside when the temperature goes below 32 degrees. What are some ways we can tell that the temperature is **below freezing** just by looking outside?
- Can you **snap** your fingers? We use the expression **cold snap** when there is a sudden, short period of cold weather. Why do you think the phrase **cold snap** makes sense?

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