

## Poetry

### March Wind

The wind is pushing  
Against the trees,  
He'll take off your hat  
Without asking you "please",  
He rattles the windows  
And puffs at a cloud,  
Then scoots down the chimney  
And laughs aloud.

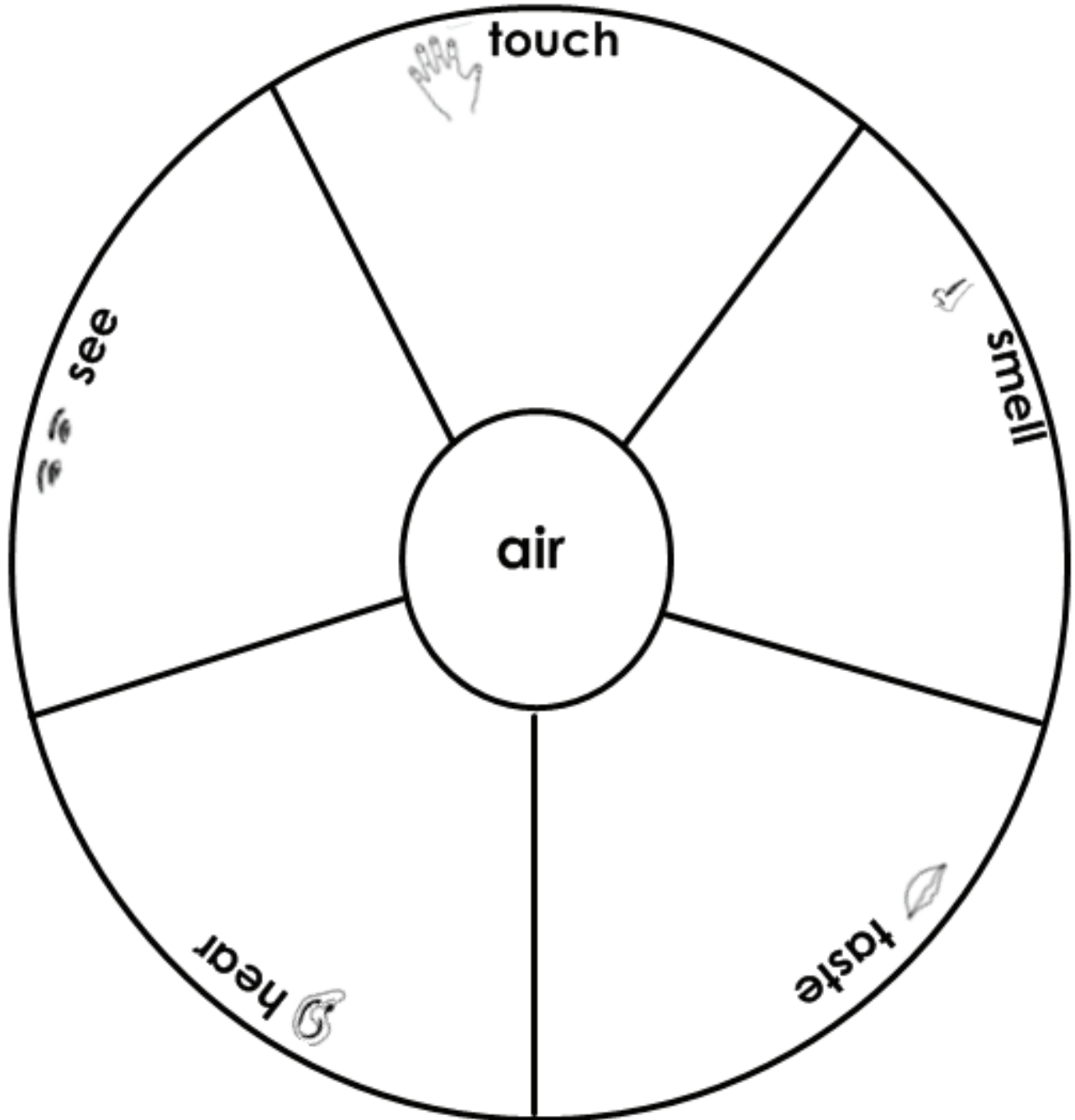
**Create your own classroom picture book of what your students see when outside watching the air move the clouds. They may add writing or a border of words that describe their picture.**

### Wind Pictures

Look! There's a giant stretching in the sky,  
A thousand white-maned horses flying by,  
A house, a mother mountain with her hills,  
A lazy lady posing in her frills,  
cotton floating from a thousand bales,  
And a white ship with white sails.  
See the old witch fumbling with her shawl,  
White towers piling on a castle wall,  
the bits of soft that break and fall away,  
Airborne mushrooms with undersides of gray -  
Above, a white doe races with her fawn  
On the white grass of a celestial lawn.  
Lift up your lovely heads and look  
As wind turns clouds into a picture book.

Mary O'Neill

# Air Is All Around You



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Wendy Wind

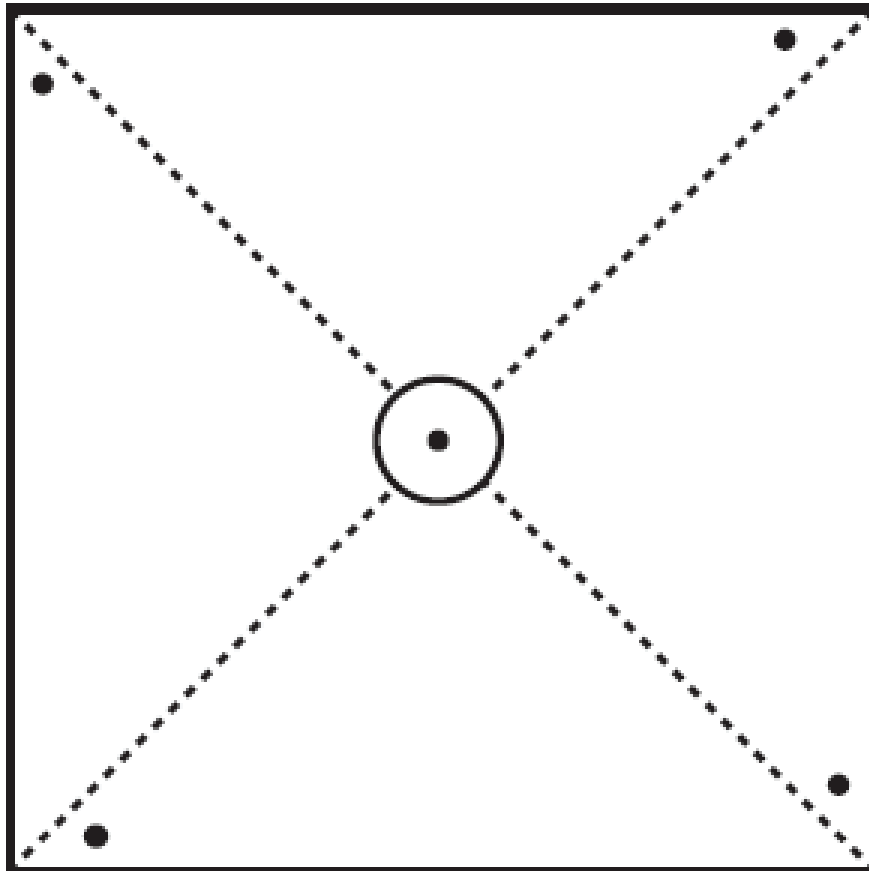
Read the story.

Brainstorm all the fun you can have in the wind.

Write ideas on the pinwheel.

Make the pinwheel.

<http://tonto.cia.doe.gov/kids/resources/teachers/pdfs/WendyWizardPrimary.pdf>



Photograph for TAG as a group or create a large class size pinwheel with all ideas and photograph.

## Important Science Connections

Connect writing to science by focusing on the role and importance of air.

Grade 1 - Seasonal Changes  
- Senses  
- Needs of Plants & Animals

Grade 2 - Small Crawling & Flying Things

Grade 3 -Hearing & Sound

Grade 4 -Plant Growth & Changes

Grade 5 - Weather Watch

Grade 6 - Air & Aerodynamics  
- Flight  
- Trees & Forests

### Based on Margaret Wise Brown's book... The Important Thing

The important thing about air is \_\_\_\_\_

Students add three details that focus on the importance of air as it relates to your science topic.

And then conclude with a repeat of the first sentence.

**The important thing about air is that animals need it to breathe.**

**If the air is polluted it will harm our lungs and then we could not breathe.**

**Another important thing about air is that it helps our brain think by supplying it with oxygen. Air is important because it keeps us alive.**

**But the most important thing about air is that animals need it to breathe.**