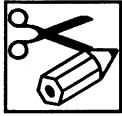


Rain, Snow, and Sleet

Leader



Interpret information from a map.



You will need:

- United States precipitation map (see Materials Page)



Do this:

- Help students find where they live and add a mark on the map. Add their state or to locate it on the chart.
- Help them identify their home state's weather pattern by using the chart.
- Help the students to interpret the legend and to identify the level of precipitation for the regions shown on the map.
- Remind students that precipitation means rain or snow.
- Ask them if they think one inch of snow is the same amount of precipitation as one inch of rain.



How many inches of snow does it take to equal 1 inch of rain? (*about 10"*)



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Student _____



Do this:

- Look at the map of the United States. Complete the chart.

State	Range of annual precipitation in inches
California	
Montana	
Texas	
Minnesota	
Illinois	
Maine	
Florida	

- If the name of your state is not listed on the chart, add it using the blank space at the bottom.



1. Which region of California has the most rain? _____

Why do you think this is so? _____

2. Which state has the greatest range of precipitation, across all of its regions?



WHAT I FOUND

Average Annual Rainfall in the Contiguous States of the United States

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