

Washday for the clouds

This task is about reading a poem and writing about what it means.

Read the poem "Washday for the clouds" 100 New Zealand Poems for Children, 1999 and answer the questions below.

a) This poem says that clouds are like sheets. What are two ways clouds are like sheets?

b) This poem gives clues about what the weather is like at different times.

Fill in the chart below to show what the weather is like at different times in the poem.

Time

Weather

Last night

Today

Tomorrow

c) In this poem the sky is described as if it is a person.

What does the sky do in this poem which makes it seem like a person?

d) The end of this poem says "there will be dragons and castles in the sky." What does this really mean?