The Weather Weaver Trilogy Resources
INTRODUCING THE TRILOGY

EXPLORE THE FRONT COVERS

• What do the three front covers have in common? Can you spot any characters or objects that are on all three covers?
• Which title do you like best?
• What do you think a ‘weather weaver’ might be?
• How many different types of weather can you spot on the front covers?
• What objects are the characters holding on each of the covers?
What role do you think these objects might play in the story?
• Which book are you most excited to read?

READING JOURNAL IDEAS

Complete a Reading Journal as you read the trilogy. Some things to look out for...

1. Tamsin Mori uses lots of descriptive language to bring the magical world of her books to life. As you read, note down any descriptive words, phrases or sentences you particularly like. Here’s an example to start you off:

‘...seagulls whirled and swooped down the sheer rock face like stunt pilots.’
- The Weather Weaver, page 5.

2. Whilst you are reading, see if you can build up a picture in your mind of the island Stella’s grandpa lives on. Can you draw a map of the island? You could include Grandpa’s house, Tamar’s house, the sleeping giant, the broch and the sanctuary stone.

3. Keep an eye out for any interesting weather around you as you read. Perhaps you will spot an unusual cloud out the window or hear a howling gale at night. Write or draw any weather observations in your reading journal. Maybe the weather will give you an idea for a magical story of your own!
CLOUD CATCHING

On pages 36–37 of The Weather Weaver, Stella successfully catches her cloud. How does she catch it and how does it feel in her hands?

CATCH YOUR OWN CLOUD

You’re a weather weaver, just like Stella, and it’s time to catch your very own cloud! Watch the sky and wait until you see a cloud that you particularly like. This is your cloud! Close your eyes, put out your hand and imagine gently pulling your cloud down from the sky. You now have your very own cloud companion who will follow you wherever you go!

What will you name your new cloud? What kind of character does it have? Is it feisty like Nimbus or steady and reliable like Tamar’s house cloud Herbie? Complete the character profile for your cloud below:

MY CLOUD

Name:

Type of cloud:

Character:

IDEA SPARK

What adventures might you get up to with your cloud? How do you think your teacher would react if your cloud followed you to school?! Discuss your ideas with a friend!
CLOUD TRAINING

Stella and Nimbus learn lots of new tricks. What tricks would you like to teach your cloud? Can you invent a new cloud trick? What would you call it?

MATCHING WEATHER AND EMOTIONS

Nimbus matches himself to Stella’s mood (whether she wants him to or not!). Whilst reading books one and two in the trilogy, see if you can spot which type of weather Nimbus produces when Stella feels different emotions. Draw and label the different weather types in the table below.

Key words:  wind      thunder      lightning      snow      rain

ANGER

JOY

PLAYFULNESS

FEAR

IDEA SPARK

Your new cloud will match itself to your emotions just as Nimbus matches Stella’s emotions! What problems do you think this might this cause? How might it be useful? Discuss your ideas with a friend.

WEAVING MAGIC

Winter’s Keep is a brand-new book in the thrilling Weather Weaver trilogy! In chapters one to three of Winter’s Keep, Tamar teaches Stella how to weave the magic that Nimbus has collected. Tamar suggests that Stella might like to weave a thirsty towel but Stella says she would rather weave something exciting like an invisibility cloak or a flying carpet. In the end, she chooses to weave an amazing magical sea shawl with the power to calm the seas.

WEAVE A MAGICAL OBJECT

Guess what? Your cloud has been out collecting magic for you to spin and weave! What will you make with your cloud magic? Design a magical object and draw it in the space below then write a description of its magical powers.

My magical object:

IDEA SPARK

Plan an adventure story of your own inspired by the Weather Weaver trilogy! Begin by thinking of a problem that needs solving. Perhaps a terrifying sea monster is threatening to flood your town or your island has been plunged into eternal winter? How will you and your cloud solve the problem? Maybe you could use the magical object you have woven from cloud magic to help you! Can you make your story as magical and exciting as Tamsin Mori’s wonderful adventure stories?