

Down The Drain

Story 5: Our family has a yard covered with grass. We don't like dandelions and weeds. We spread weed killer over the lawn to keep it green and without dandelions. The directions say it will take three days to kill the weeds. Two days after the weed killer was spread, it rained all day. Most of the weed killer was washed from the grass and down the pavement to the storm drain.

Simulated Pollution: Drop the green tablet into the storm drain container filled with water.

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Story 4: My family enjoys walking our dog, Barkley. When Barkley needs to go to the bathroom we are careful to make Barkley go on the paved road along the curb so that Barkley doesn't create a mess on the neighbors' lawn. We don't worry about picking up the mess because we know that eventually the dog's waste will be washed with the rain into the nearby storm drain.

Simulated Pollution: Put the fake dog "doo" into the storm drain container filled with water.

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Story 3: One snowy winter evening our family heard raccoons outside opening and turning over our garbage cans left out by the curb, but it was too dark and cold to go outside and chase them away. The next morning no one in the family had time to clean up the litter that was strewn all over the street. When the snow melted most of the trash floated with the water into the storm drain.

Simulated Pollution: Add the plastic waste into the storm drain container filled with water.

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Story 2: My sister helps my father change the motor oil in the family automobile. She clumsily carries the huge pan of black, thick used motor oil to the storm drain in front of their apartment building, where she dumps it. It's gone! The oil will mix with the water of a nearby stream or river; and any motor oil that she spilled onto the ground will go into the soil and mix with water that is underground.

Simulated Pollution: Add the fake oil spill into the storm drain container filled with water.

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Story 1: A small stream winds through the woods at a park across the street from my apartment. I always look out my window when it's raining. Water was running fast down my street into the storm drain across the street. I saw twigs, leaves, soil, being swept away by the fast moving water. The leaves and twigs are carried down to the river that is at the end of my street.

Simulated Pollution: Add the twigs and leaves to the storm drain container filled with water.

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