



Extract from 'Bringing the Rain to Kapiti Plain' by Verna Aardema

This is the _____
Kapiti Plain,
All _____ and _____
from the African rains —
A sea of grass for the
ground birds to nest in,
And patches of shade for
_____ to rest in;
With acacia trees for
giraffes to browse on,
And grass for the herdsmen
to pasture their cows on.

But one year the rains
were so very belated,
That all of the _____
_____ migrated.

Then Ki-pat helped to end
that _____ drought —
And this story tells
how it all came about!

This is the cloud,
all _____ with rain,
That shadowed the ground,
on Kapiti Plain.

This is the grass,
all _____ and _____,
That needed the rain
from the cloud overhead —

The _____, _____ cloud,
all _____ with rain,
That shadowed the ground
on Kapiti Plain.

These are the cows,
all _____ and _____,
Who mooed for the rain
to fall from the sky;
To green-up the grass,
all _____ and _____,
That needed the rain
from the cloud overhead —
The _____, _____ cloud,
all _____ with rain,
That shadowed the ground
on Kapiti Plain.

We are learning to explore the effect of patterns of language and repeated words and phrases. We are also learning to experiment with new words.