

## Weather is Changing

- Study the following lines.
- Read the lines, first, and make sure you understand the action of the scene.
- Make sure that you can describe the imagery used in this scene.

Read the following lines:

{Simba is left out in the fields. There is just a cloud left where his father's image was. The wind tosses the grass restlessly. Rafiki approaches.}

Rafiki: What was *that*? The weather-- Pbbbah! Very peculiar. Don't you think?

Simba: Yeah. Looks like the winds are changing.

Rafiki: Ahhh, change is good.

Simba: Yeah, but it's not easy. I know what I have to do. But, going back means I'll have to face my past. I've been running from it for so long....

{Rafiki smacks Simba on the head with his staff.}

Simba: Oww! Jeez-- what was that for?

Rafiki: It doesn't matter; it's in the past! {laughs}

Simba: {Rubbing head} Yeah, but it still hurts.

Rafiki: Oh yes, the past can hurt. But the way I see it, you can either run *from* it... or ... *learn* from it. {He swings at Simba with his staff again. This time Simba ducks.}

Rafiki: Hah! You *see*? So what are you going to do?

Simba: {Shouting back} I'm going back!

Rafiki: *Good! Go on! Get out of here!*

{Rafiki laughs, hoots, 'n' hollers. As he holds his staff above his head, a few shooting stars zing across the sky. Music rises into celebratory "Busa" theme:}

**First paragraph:**

Describe what is happening in this scene. This will take 5-7 sentences. Include supporting evidence from the script.

**Second Paragraph:**

Think about the possible symbols you can find in this scene.

What are the symbols?  
(changing winds, Rafiki's staff)

Resources:  
Lyrics and Images from the Disney Studio



Think - "It is Time."

- Rafiki knows Pumbaa and Timon have helped Simba grow up.
- Rafiki knows Nala has helped Simba understand he has to go back, but Simba still needs more encouragement.
- Rafiki knows it is time for Simba to grow up.
- Rafiki knows it is time for Simba to go back to Pride Rock and take Mufasa's place.





**Third paragraph: Think “bigger.”**

Read the lines a third time. Explain the symbols you just identified. The following questions will help you explain the symbols,

- What does Rafiki mean when he refers to the weather?
- What does Simba mean when he says, “Yeah, Looks the winds are changing.”
- What does Rafiki mean when he says, “...you can run from it, .... or .... learn from it...”
- Does Simba have a different understanding of the weather at the end of this scene? Explain.

**Fourth Paragraph:**

Answer the following question in 5-7 sentences using supporting evidence from the scene. (Supporting evidence is just a few lines from the scene that back up your explanation.)

What is the celebratory mood? Who is celebrating?

Remember the lines from the Circle of Life.

“Through despair to hope  
Through faith and love.”

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