

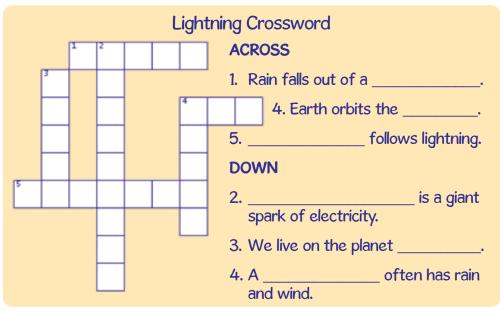
## Lightning!



What's the flashiest thing across Earth's skies? You guessed it—lightning! Whether in the clouds or zipping toward the ground, these huge sparks of electricity highlight God's incredible power. Although lightning is found mostly in thunderstorms, it's also produced by extreme conditions like volcanic eruptions, forest fires, and blizzards. Now, that's shocking! Did you also know...



- About 100 lightning bolts strike Earth every second.
- One streak of lightning can measure up to five miles long.
- Lightning reaches upward of 50,000°F—hotter than the sun's surface!
- Thunder comes when air heated by lightning rapidly expands and contracts. Light travels faster than sound, so you usually see lightning before you hear thunder.



Circle 3 differences in the pictures below.







Answers to crossword: Across: 1. cloud, 4. sun, 5. thunder; Down: 2. lightning, 3. Earth, 4. storm