On April 2, 1815 Mount Tambora exploded in Indonesia. The explosion was 4 times more powerful than the great Mount Krakatoa eruption and 100 times more powerful than Mount St. Helens. Volcanic ash spread all around the world, creating “The Year With No Summer” in 1816. That summer Mary Wollstonecraft went to Switzerland with her friends, hoping for an outdoor mountain getaway. The summer was cold and rainy and the group was stuck inside. They decided to write stories instead. Two years later Mary was Mary Shelley and she published Frankenstein, a dark story she created during a dark and stormy vacation.

Weather has inspired many playwrights, poets, artists, and authors. Think about what type of weather or weather event is most inspiring for you.

Choose a type of weather or weather event for inspiration. Describe it here:

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Use the back of the paper (or your own paper) to:

- Draw a picture based on weather OR
- Write a poem based on weather OR
- Write an outline of a story based on weather (for example - outline what will happen first, next, and last)