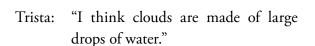
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What Are Clouds Made Of?

Six friends were looking at large, white, puffy clouds in the sky. They wondered what the clouds were made of. This is what they said:



Lee: "I think clouds are made of soft, cot-

tonlike material."

Manny: "I think clouds are made of smoke that rises from the land."

Rosie: "I think clouds are made of evaporated water in the form of a gas."

Glenda: "I think clouds are made of tiny drops of water or tiny ice crystals."

Leticia: "I think clouds are made of a spongy material that holds water in it."

Which friend do you most agree with?

Describe your thinking. Explain the reason for your answer.