

This is from the book 'Elephant Dance. A Journey to India' by Theresa Heine. Read this book with an adult.

'And what is the rain like?' asked Ravi, as they sheltered under the trees.

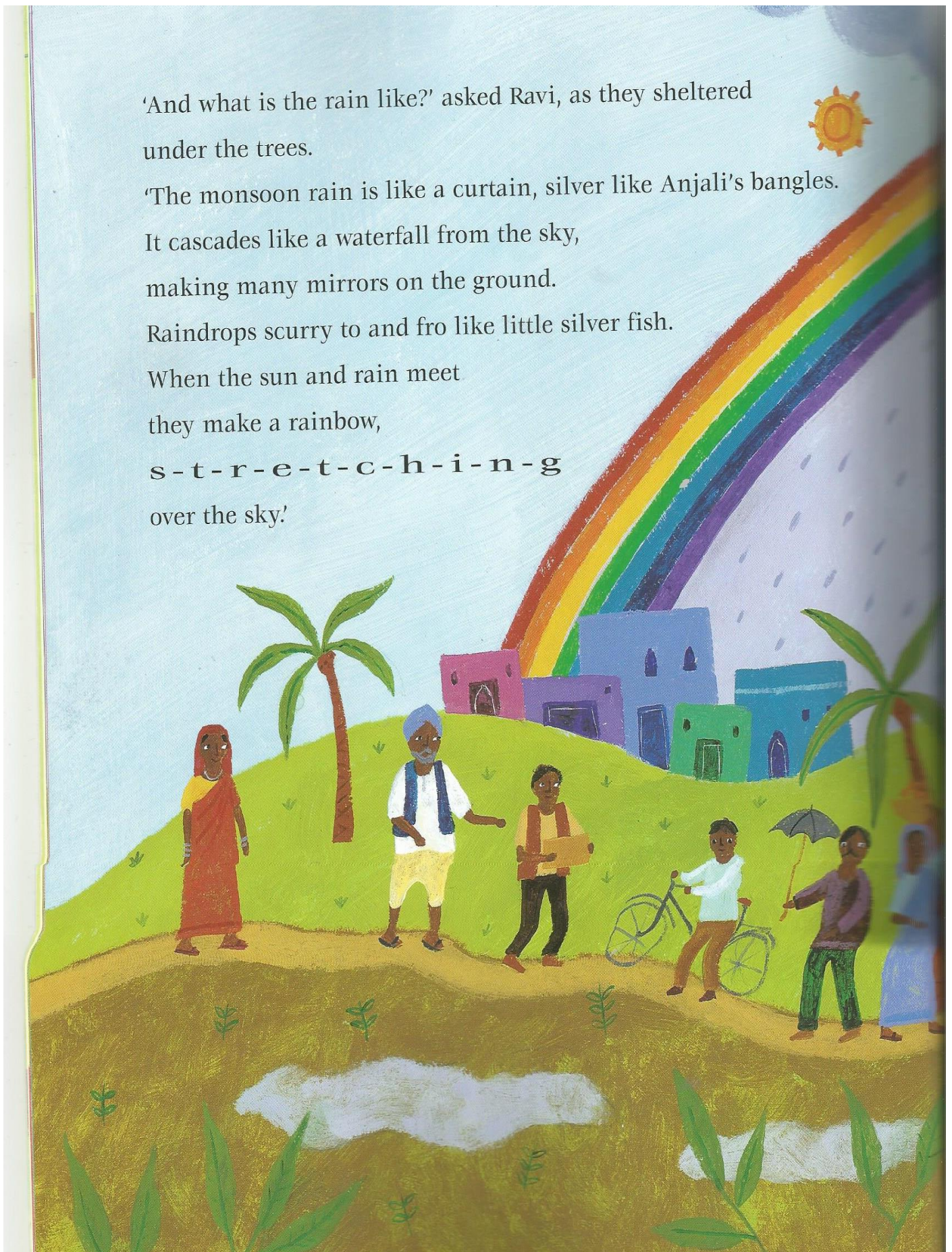
'The monsoon rain is like a curtain, silver like Anjali's bangles.

It cascades like a waterfall from the sky,
making many mirrors on the ground.

Raindrops scurry to and fro like little silver fish.

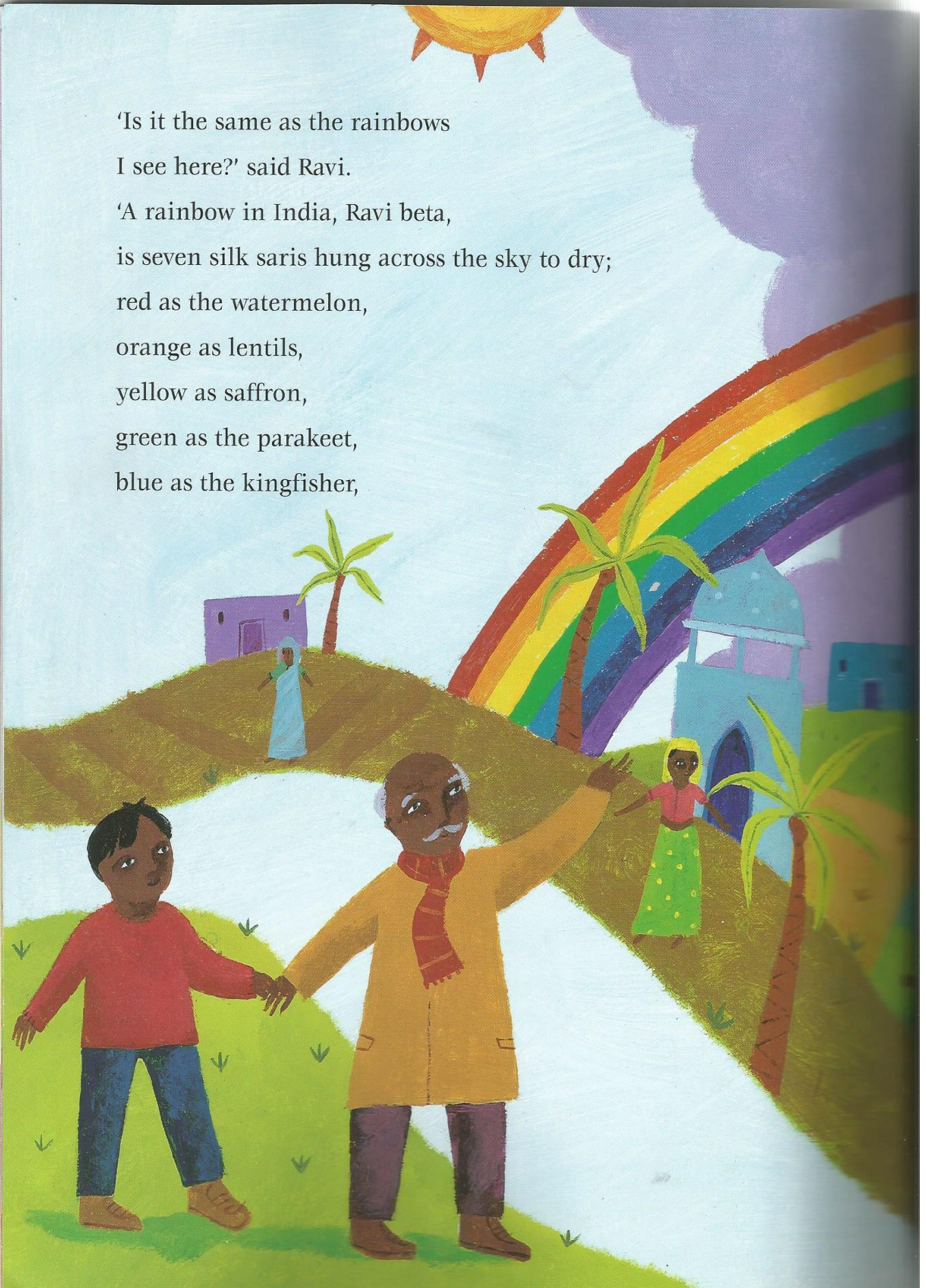
When the sun and rain meet
they make a rainbow,

s-t-r-e-t-c-h-i-n-g
over the sky!

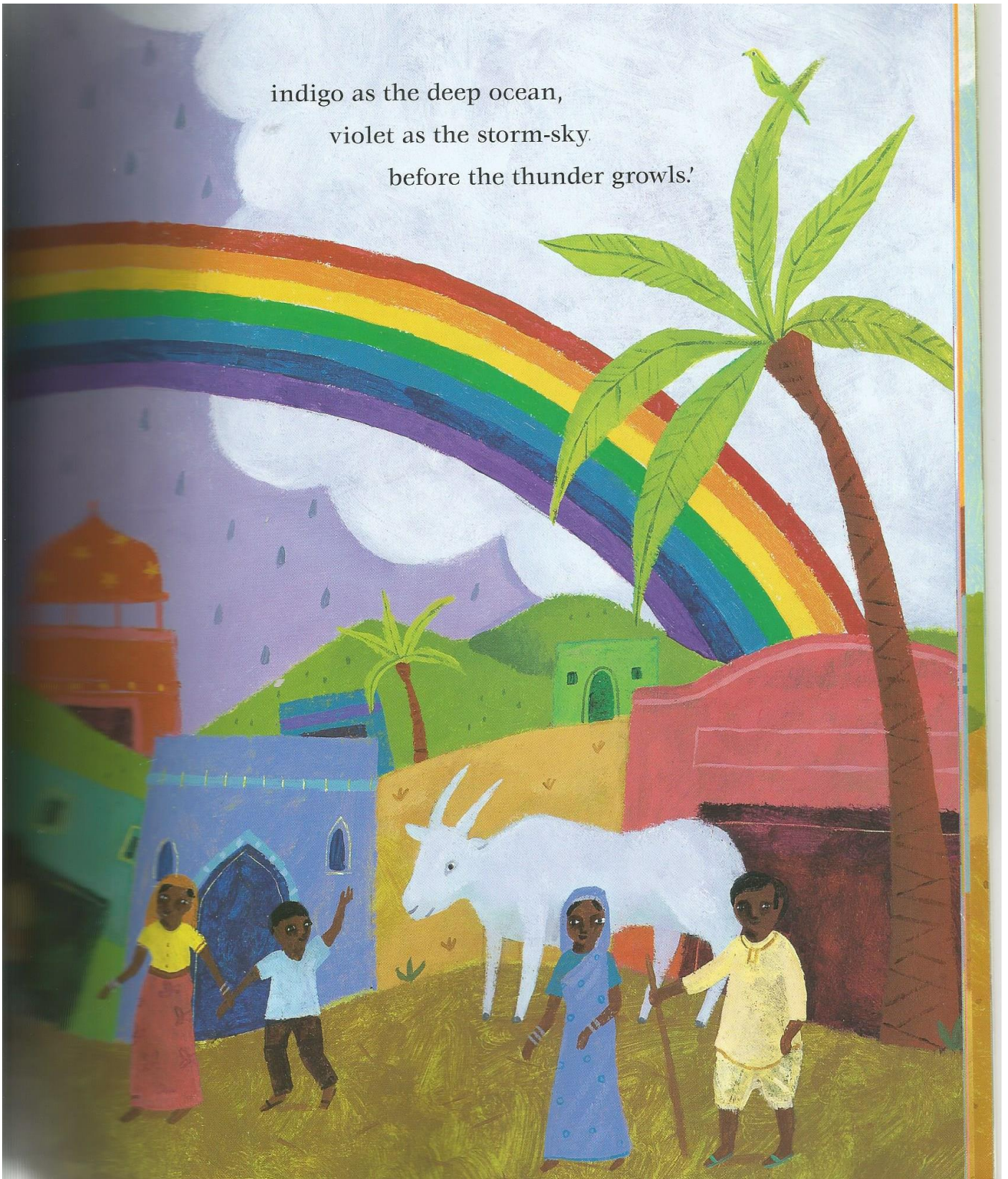


'Is it the same as the rainbows
I see here?' said Ravi.

'A rainbow in India, Ravi beta,
is seven silk saris hung across the sky to dry;
red as the watermelon,
orange as lentils,
yellow as saffron,
green as the parakeet,
blue as the kingfisher,



indigo as the deep ocean,
violet as the storm-sky
before the thunder growls!



Task 1 :complete the sentences from the text.

When the sun and _____ meet they

make a rainbow stretching over the sky_

Is it the same as the _____ I see

here _ asked Ravi.

A rainbow in _____ is

_____ as the watermelon,

orange as _____,

_____ as saffron,

green as the _____,

_____ as the kingfisher,

indigo as the _____ ocean,

violet as the _____ sky before the
thunder growls.

**Task 2 Add your own colour ideas to create a rainbow of
Smethwick**

When the sun and _____ meet they
make a _____ stretching
over the sky.

A rainbow in Smethwick is
red as the Uplands _____ (jumper /
shirt)

yellow as the _____

pink as the _____

green as _____,

orange as _____,

purple as _____,

and blue as _____.

Task 3 Choose the correct spellings for plurals from Elephant Dance

ears	earz
chimez	chimes
gongs	gongz
tops	topes
starz	stars
dresses	dressez
paintes	paints
growles	growls
busez	buses
drinks	drinkes
smelles	smells

matches	matches
drums	drumes
fishes	fishs
streetes	streets
peaks	peaks
peaches	peachs
flashs	flashes
boxes	boxs

Task 4 add the prefix un- to the words below and choose some words to use in your own sentences

uncurls

___ fit

___ tie

___ zip

___ kind

___ well

___ pack

___ do

___ pick

___ safe

___ lucky

___ tidy

___ happy

___ fair

___ clean

The tiger uncurls his tail.
