

RAINY DAY RACING

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FADE IN:

EXT. RAIN CLOUDS - DAY

A collection of menacing, grey clouds. The flash of a lightning bolt illuminates them. THUNDER ROARS shortly after.

One-by-one, rain drops fall from the clouds. We FOLLOW one of the drops as it plummets toward the earth.

EXT. GLASSY SURFACE - CONTINUOUS

Our RAIN DROP lands on a glassy surface and COMES TO LIFE. With its fresh eyes, it takes in its surroundings.

A line of other drops forms. Each one looks more determined than the last.

The RAIN DROP has a look of realization -- this is the starting line of a race and it's one of the competitors. With a smug grin, the RAIN DROP prepares itself. We HEAR an ENGINE START.

Suddenly, a BIG DROP falls from the sky and lands beside our RAIN DROP. It awakens with a look of menace, staring down the other drops like game in a hunt. Its eyes land on our RAIN DROP beside it. It gives a devilish grin.

The RAIN DROP tries to shake it off and focus ahead.

Everything grows quiet. Then...

VROOM!!

The rain drops TAKE OFF, racing across the glassy surface. As the drops glide forward, they dodge new drops that splash down on the surface, creating obstacles.

Our RAIN DROP weaves through the fray with ease, inching further ahead in the pack. Wanting to see its progress, the RAIN DROP looks back.

RAIN DROP POV

The BIG DROP gains on an unaware, smaller drop and CONSUMES IT. The smaller drop's "face" helplessly floats within the BIG DROP, trying to grasp what just happened.

The surrounding drops look on in horror. They try to escape, but the BIG DROP continues taking them out, one-by-one.

RAIN DROP

Tries to save itself. It glides out of the BIG DROP'S path and slows down.

The BIG DROP continues its terrible charge and takes the lead.

Our RAIN DROP watches hopelessly as the BIG DROP continues its path to victory. A look of defeat appears on its face.

After a beat, the RAIN DROP shakes it off and regains its look of determination. It SPEEDS FORWARD.

The BIG DROP cruises in the front of the pack with a look of satisfaction.

Suddenly, our RAIN DROP SPEEDS PAST the BIG DROP. The BIG DROP can't believe it. Angry, the BIG DROP charges toward the RAIN DROP.

With all its might, our RAIN DROP speeds ahead. But the BIG DROP inches closer and closer behind. The RAIN DROP fights the urge to look back, keeping its focus on the "finish line" ahead. The faces of the consumed rain drops cheer our RAIN DROP on.

Despite the RAIN DROP'S effort, the BIG DROP continues to gain on its tail. Just as the BIG DROP is about to consume our RAIN DROP...

SPLASH!!

A new drop crashes down on the BIG DROP! It's face swirls, mixing in with the rest of the drops it consumed. The collective drop slowly slips away as the faces of the "consumed" mob around the face of the BIG DROP.

A big smile appears on the RAIN DROP'S face. It's in the clear with the finish line in sight.

LITTLE GIRL (O.S.)  
YAY!! Go, little rain drop!

The RAIN DROP looks around for the source of the voice, but can't find anyone. It finally looks below, through the glassy surface. It's look of confusion breaks into grin.

INT. CAR - CONTINUOUS

A LITTLE GIRL sits in a car seat, watching the rain drops streak across the window. She commentates on the "race" between them, happening in her imagination.

LITTLE GIRL  
(announcer voice)  
It's in the lead... about to cross  
the finish line...

We PULL BACK to reveal the little girl's MOM and DAD in the front seats of the cab.

LITTLE GIRL (CONT'D)  
And... VICTORY!!

Her shout startles the parents.

MOM  
(to LITTLE GIRL)  
Honey! Don't yell.

DAD  
(to MOM)  
It's alright, she's just excited.  
(to LITTLE GIRL)  
Who won, sweetheart?

LITTLE GIRL  
My little rain drop!

MOM and DAD look at each other and share a smile.

EXT. ROAD - CAR - CONTINUOUS

The car continues down the road, disappearing into the rain.

CUT TO BLACK.