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# It's Raining Cats and Dogs Today

Read this poem and fill in the blanks  
with the words from the list on the right

It's raining cats and dogs today.  
I couldn't tell you why.  
When I went outside this morning,  
they were falling from the \_\_\_\_\_.

A Schnauzer hit my trousers  
and a tabby whacked my \_\_\_\_\_.  
There's a puddle full of Poodles  
near some Persians in the dirt.

I almost got knocked over  
by a Dachshund and Dalmatian,  
and I had to dive to dodge  
a Himalayan and \_\_\_\_\_.

A Boxer's on my noggin.  
An Angora's on my \_\_\_\_\_.  
There's a Burmese in a tree  
beside a frightened Irish Setter.

If it continues raining  
cats and dogs for too much longer,  
I may need a new umbrella,  
one that's much, much, much, much \_\_\_\_\_.

— Kenn Nesbitt

## Word List

sweater

shirt

stronger

sky

Alsatian



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Match each word from the poem to its correct definition.

A type of dog known for its distinctive beard and eyebrows:

\_\_\_\_\_

Another word for pants

\_\_\_\_\_

A type of housecat with a striped coat pattern:

\_\_\_\_\_

A breed of dog with a spotted coat:

\_\_\_\_\_

Another name for a German Shepherd:

\_\_\_\_\_

A slang term for the head:

\_\_\_\_\_

A breed of dog known for its curly hair:

\_\_\_\_\_

Something that protects you from the rain:

\_\_\_\_\_

## Word List

Alsatian

Poodle

trousers

Shnauzer

umbrella

tabby

noggin

Dalmatian

