

Talking about The Weather

Warm-Up

Work with your class to brainstorm English words and phrases for describing the weather. Think about what the weather is like in different seasons, including **winter**, **spring**, **summer**, and **fall**. Think about what the weather is like in different countries, too.

Dialogues

Read the following dialogues out loud with a partner.

A. Talking about Good Weather

Dialogue 1

A: What's it like outside?

B: It's **warm** and **sunny**.

Dialogue 2

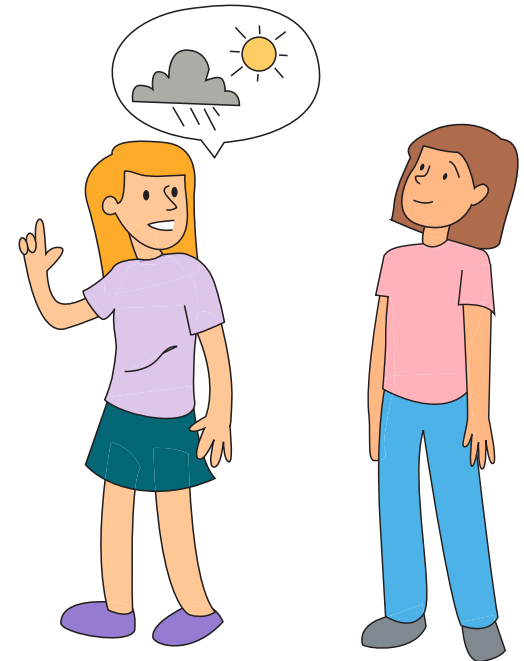
A: Nice day, huh?

B: Yes! It's **hot**. I'm going to the beach now.

Dialogue 3

A: How's the weather?

B: It's **snowing**. I love the snow!



B. Talking about Bad Weather

Dialogue 1

A: Hi. How's the weather at your place?

B: It's **wet** and **rainy**.

Dialogue 2

A: What's it like outside?

B: It's very **hot** and **humid**.

Dialogue 3

A: How's the weather?

B: It's **raining** again. Bring your umbrella!

Vocabulary

A. Reference

Here are a few different ways to describe the weather.

Using Adjectives

- It's **hot**.
- It's **cold**.
- It's **cool**.
- It's **humid**.
- It's **rainy**.
- It's **wet**.
- It's **snowy**.
- It's **windy**.
- It's **cloudy**.
- It's **foggy**.
- It's **icy**.

Using Verbs

- It's **raining**.
- It's **snowing**.
- It's **drizzling**.
- It's **hailing**.
- It's supposed **to rain**.
- It's going **to snow**.

Using Nouns

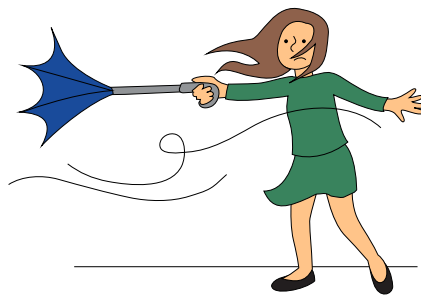
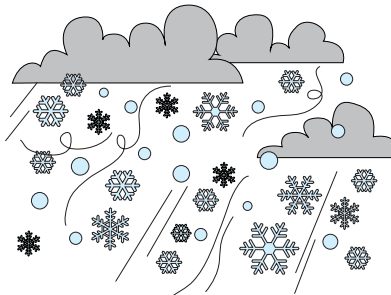
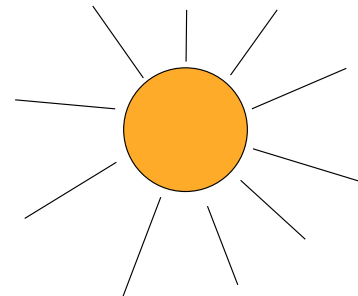
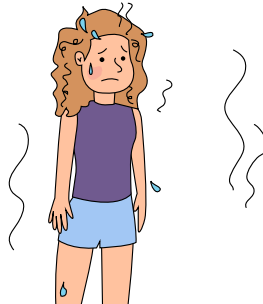
- That is a lot of **rain**.
- I hear **thunder**.
- I see **lightning**.
- A **storm** is coming.
- There's a **blizzard** outside.

Using Adverbs

- It's **very** hot.
- It's **really** cold.
- It's **quite** cool.
- It's **so** windy.
- It's raining **hard**.
- It's snowing **heavily**.

B. Practice

Now describe the pictures.



Pronunciation Practice

A. With Your Teacher

Listen to your teacher say one of the words from each word pair. Circle the word you hear.

1. snowing / snowy
2. rainy / raining
3. sunny / sandy
4. windy / winter
5. thunder / summer

B. With a Partner

Now work with a partner. Take turns reading one word from each pair in Part A. Write the word you hear.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

Choose the Best Question

Circle the best question for each response.

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| <p>1. No, it's nice out.</p> <p>a) Is it raining?
b) Is it sunny?
c) How's the weather?</p> | <p>3. Yes, there's a blizzard.</p> <p>a) Is it going to be nice out?
b) Is it snowing?
c) Is it supposed to rain?</p> | <p>5. It's windy and cool.</p> <p>a) Is it supposed to snow?
b) When is the sun coming out?
c) How is the weather there?</p> |
| <p>2. It's hot and humid.</p> <p>a) What's it like out?
b) How hot is it?
c) How is the snow?</p> | <p>4. It's below zero degrees.</p> <p>a) How sunny is it?
b) How cold is it?
c) How windy is it?</p> | <p>6. Yes. I heard thunder, too.</p> <p>a) Was that lightening?
b) When is the storm coming?
c) How stormy is it?</p> |

Questions & Answers about the Weather

Practice asking and answering these questions with a partner.

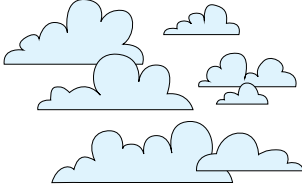
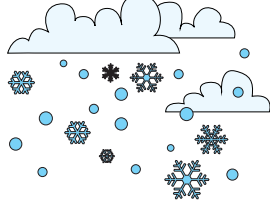
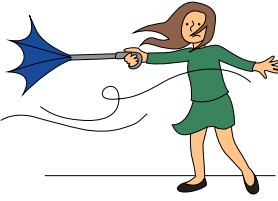

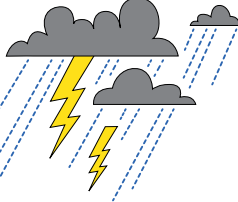
- How's the weather?
- What's the weather like?
- Is it sunny?
- Is it snowing?
- How windy is it?
- Is it supposed to snow?
- Is it going to rain?
- How cold is it?

Review

Task 1

DESCRIBE THE PICTURES

Write a complete sentence to describe each picture.

#	Picture	Extra Instructions	Sentence
1		Use an adjective .	
2		Use a verb .	
3		Use an adverb .	
4		Use a verb .	
5		Use a noun .	

Review cont.

Task 2

MATCHING

Match the question to the appropriate response.
Each response can only be used once.

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| _____ 1. | How's the weather? | a) | No, it's pretty cloudy. |
| _____ 2. | Is it supposed to rain today? | b) | Yes, I hear thunder. |
| _____ 3. | Is it hot out? | c) | Yes, it's hot and humid. |
| _____ 4. | Is a storm coming? | d) | It's windy and cool. |
| _____ 5. | Is it sunny outside? | e) | No, it's supposed to snow! |

Task 3

LISTEN & RESPOND

Listen to your teacher read out some questions.
Respond with an answer about weather.

Responses

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____