

Weird Phenomena

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Great Ball of Fire!!!

There have been thousands of reports from people of mysterious glowing balls gliding around people's homes, gardens and in the . Some are as small as golf balls and others as large as footballs. The ball disappear when they come into contact with electrical objects or electrical power lines. Meteorologists call it 'ball lightning' and they say it is an electrical freak of nature that they can't explain. So, during a thunderstorm, keep your eyes on the sky and there is a chance you will see one of these great balls of fire!

'Once in a blue moon'

.....isn't just a colorful expression we use to say that something is very rare. Believe it or not, the moon really can turn blue. A blue moon is common in many parts of the world. The moon turns blue when dust from forest fires or volcanic eruptions floats into the atmosphere. When this happens, the dust distorts the moonlight and makes the moon look blue.

Raining frogs... not cat and dogs!

.In 1939, a thunderstorm broke out in the town of Trowbridge, England. People were astonished to see hundreds of frogs falling from the sky! One possible cause was that a tornado sucked them up, carried them far away and then released them in the heavy rain. The question is are you going to take stronger umbrella with you the next time it rains?

Read the article and mark the sentences T (true) ,F (false) or DS (doesn't say) .



1. Ball lightning can appear in different sizes. _____
2. Meteorologists find it hard to explain the causes of ball lightning. _____
3. Ball lightning bursts when it touches anything electrical. _____
4. A blue moon will happen more often in the future. _____
5. A blue moon only happens once a year. _____
6. It is not the first time small animals have come from the sky. _____
7. All weather phenomena have a logical explanation. _____