1.4 Speaking and writing

Speaking talking about the weather

1 Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

damp humid mild pleasant showers thunderstorm

A What's the weather like where you are?
B It's raining today, so everything is [1] damp .
A Does it rain a lot in your area?
B It doesn't usually rain all day, but we often have a few [2] _____.
A What's it like in the summer?
B It isn't very [3] _____, because it gets very hot and [4] _____. Occasionally, there's a [5] _____ in the evening, which can be quite frightening.
A What's your favourite season?
B I like the spring. It's nearly always very [6] _____, and you can go out without a coat.

Speaking talking about likes and dislikes

2a Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first, using the word in brackets.

1 I like going clubbing a lot. (love)
I love going clubbing.
2 I hate the winter. (stand)
I _____
3 I like doing yoga a lot. (into)
I _____
4 I like basketball more than any other sport. (favourite)
My _____
5 Doing housework isn't a problem for me. (mind)
I _____
6 I don't like thunderstorms. (keen)
I _____
7 Going camping is OK, I suppose. (quite)
I _____
8 I like football more than golf. (prefer)
I _____
9 I like doing karate a lot. (interested)
I _____

PRONUNCIATION sentence stress

b 1.4 Listen and check. Notice which words and parts of the words are stressed.

c 1.4 Listen again. Pause the CD and repeat after each word.

Writing a web post about the best time to visit your country

3 Complete the web post with *and*, *but* or *so*.

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My family and I would like to visit Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. When is the best time to go?

Paulo

The most popular time to visit Rio is from December to March. This is our summer season [1] but it sometimes rains. The weather is usually nice and warm, [2] _____ the sun can be very dangerous. You need to use cream when you go outside [3] _____ it's safer to stay inside in the middle of the day.

The city is always busy in the summer [4] _____ it can be very expensive. [5] _____ the best time to come is in spring or autumn when flights are cheaper [6] _____ there are fewer tourists.

Have a good trip!

I can ...	Very well	Quite well	More practice
understand and use nouns and verbs with the same form.	○	○	○
talk about the weather, my likes and dislikes.	○	○	○
write a web post.	○	○	○