

10.1 The weather

Vocabulary the weather

1 Match the weather words in the box to photos a-c.

cloudy dry foggy freezing icy rainy
snowy sunny warm wet windy



foggy



sunny



windy

2 Complete the sentences with a verb from the box.

blew froze rained shone snowed

- 1 The ground was wet after it rained during the night.
- 2 The high winds blew down one of the trees in my garden.
- 3 They went skiing after it shone.
- 4 We had a great day at the beach – the sun shone all day.
- 5 The rainwater snowed and turned to ice.

3 Look at the UK weather map and circle the best words to complete the weather forecast.

UK weather forecast for today

In Scotland, temperatures went down to minus 6°C last night. There is a lot of ice / cloud on the roads today and you can see some snow / thunder on the mountains.

Northern Ireland and the north of England are going to have more ice / rain.

In Wales, it's a good idea to stay indoors today because there's a very big storm / fog with lots of thunder and lightning and very high winds / rain.

The east of England is dry, but it is difficult to see in some places because there is heavy sun / fog.

There are some clouds / rain in the south of England, but it is warm and sunny and there is more sun / lightning to come later.



Grammar comparative adjectives

4 Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

1 low	<u>lower</u>	6 expensive	_____
2 big	_____	7 tall	_____
3 early	_____	8 late	_____
4 bad	_____	9 dry	_____
5 interesting	_____	10 fat	_____

5 Complete the text about the weather in different parts of Pakistan with the comparative form of the verb in (brackets).



Some of the highest mountains in the world are in northern Pakistan. It is much ¹ higher (high) and ² _____ (cold) there than the rest of the country during the winter. The capital city, Islamabad, is in the north-east. Winter and spring in Islamabad are ³ _____ (cool) than summer and autumn. Summer is from May to September. These months are ⁴ _____ (hot) and ⁵ _____ (sunny) than the other months of the year. The second half of summer is the rainy season, so it is ⁶ _____ (wet) than the first half.

Karachi is Pakistan's largest city. It is on the southern coast. Like Islamabad, Karachi is very hot in summer, but it has ⁷ _____ (low) rainfall than Islamabad. It's probably ⁸ _____ (good) to visit Karachi in winter or spring than in summer because the temperatures are ⁹ _____ (comfortable).

6 Tick (✓) or correct the sentences.



- 1 New York is old than Sydney.
New York is older than Sydney.
- 2 Is life in the city more expensive than life in the country?

- 3 The weather is more bad today than it was yesterday.

- 4 My new job is interesting than my old job.

- 5 I think spring and autumn are nicer summer or winter.

- 6 Karachi is more big than Islamabad.

- 7 Is French easier to learn than German?

PRONUNCIATION than in comparative sentences

7a 10.1 Read and listen to the sentences. Does *than* have a weak sound /ðən/ (W), or a strong sound /ðan/ (S)?

- 1 This hotel is more expensive than that hotel. W
- 2 China is bigger than Thailand.
- 3 Winter is colder than summer.
- 4 I think surfing is better than skiing.
- 5 Travelling by train is more interesting than flying.
- 6 Some people are friendlier than others.

b 10.1 Listen again and repeat. Copy the pronunciation.

I can ...

describe the weather.
use comparative adjectives.

Very well Quite well More practice

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