



Extreme Weather Reports

Listening task 1

Activity 1: Vocabulary Check

Put the words in the box into the correct column.

hurricane	damages	lightning	power outage	evacuate
flood	rainfall	flights cancelled	set up shelter	traffic jams

Weather Conditions	Weather Effects	People's Reactions

Activity 2

Choose the most suitable headline for the weather report.

- 1. Florida Faces Its Strongest Storm in a Decade
- 2. Heavy Rain Expected in Florida Next Week
- 3. Unusual Weather Changes in Florida

Activity 3

Read the sentences. Decide if they are true (T) or false (F). Correct the false ones.

1. The hurricane has been classified as a Category 5 storm.

2. Residents have been advised to stay at their homes.

3. Power outages are expected in several areas of the region.

4. The hurricane is moving towards the west coast of Florida.

5. Flights at Miami International Airport have been cancelled.

6. Storm surges could reach up to 5 metres.

Listening task 2

Activity 1: Vocabulary Check

Match the words to the definitions.

1. heatwave

A. an intensifying burning fire

2. blaze

B. a large natural or artificial lake used as a source of water supply

3. heatstroke

C. a period of unusually hot weather

4. scorching

D. very hot

5. wildfire

E. a condition usually caused by being too long in a very hot place

6. reservoir

F. an uncontrolled fire that burns in the wildland vegetation, often in rural areas

Activity 2

Listen to the weather report and number the sentences (1-5) in the order they are mentioned.

- Hospitals are reporting an increase in heatstroke cases. Authorities have
- set water restrictions in some areas.
- Temperatures have reached 45°C in Spain and Italy.
- Tourists are avoiding outdoor attractions and staying in air-conditioned places. Firefighters are
- battling over 50 wildfires in the region.

Activity 3

Listen again. Fill in the gaps in the text using a **number** or **one word**.

Southern Europe is experiencing one of its worst heatwaves in history, with temperatures reaching a scorching °C in Spain and Italy. The extreme heat has led to wildfires, with firefighters battling more than 50 across the region.

The government has issued heat warnings, advising people to stay indoors between p.m. and 5 p.m., when temperatures are at their highest. Hospitals are reporting an increase in heatstroke cases, especially among the and children.

Tourists in cities like Rome and Madrid are struggling with the intense heat, with some choosing to visit air-conditioned shopping centres instead of outdoor activities. Authorities have also set water restrictions in some areas due to the ongoing , which has left reservoirs dangerously low.

The heatwave is expected to continue for the next week, with temperatures remaining above

°C in many places. Experts warn that climate change is making these extreme weather events more common.

Listening task 3

Activity 1: Vocabulary Check

Complete the sentences with the words from the box.

blizzard

freezing

below zero

power outage

snow

wind chill

1. Be careful! The roads are icy because temperatures dropped _____ overnight.
2. Many homes are without heating due to a _____ caused by heavy snow and strong winds.
3. A strong _____ has caused major disruptions, with roads blocked and visibility near zero.
4. Meteorologists expect last night's storm will leave nearly 40 cm of _____ on the ground.
5. The thermometer shows -10°C, but with the _____, it feels even colder.
6. The temperature outside is _____, so make sure to wear layers if you go out.

Activity 2

Choose the headline that best describes the weather report.

1. Snowfall Causes Beautiful Winter Landscapes Across Canada
2. Severe Blizzard Paralyzes Cities, Cancels Flights and Shuts Down Roads
3. Cold Temperatures Expected, but No Major Storms in the Forecast
4. Canada Prepares for a Mild Winter with Light Snow

Activity 3

For each question, choose the correct answer.

1. Where is the blizzard expected to cause the most damage?

- A. The eastern region
- B. The western mountains
- C. The central region

2. Why has the blizzard caused major disruptions?

- A. The strong winds and snowfall have reduced visibility and blocked roads.
- B. The snow is melting quickly, creating dangerous icy roads.
- C. Residents are not used to extreme winter weather conditions.

3. What is one major problem caused by the storm?

- A. It is too cold to go outside.
- B. Farmers need more rain.
- C. Flights are cancelled.

4. What makes the cold even more dangerous?

- A. The unusually high humidity for winter conditions
- B. The combination of low temperatures and strong winds
- C. The rapid increase in temperature overnight

5. Why are some areas experiencing power outages?

- A. The cold temperatures have frozen electrical circuits.
- B. People are using too much electricity, causing system overloads.
- C. The storm has damaged power lines and made repairs difficult.

6. What is the weather forecast for the next 24 hours?

- A. The blizzard will strengthen and last longer than expected.
- B. The storm will weaken, but temperatures will remain dangerously low.
- C. The snow will stop completely and temperatures will rise above freezing.