

Extreme Weather & Phrasal Verbs Worksheet (B1+)

Exercise 1: Choose the Best Option

1. After three days of heavy rain, the river began to _____ and several streets were flooded.
a) shake b) rise c) burn down d) come out e) fall down
2. The weather forecast warned people that strong winds could _____ trees and damage power lines.
a) put out b) flow c) blow away d) clear up e) rise
3. When the _____ struck, people ran outside because the ground was moving violently.
a) flood b) lightning c) tornado d) earthquake e) snowstorm
4. Firefighters worked all night to _____ the fire before it reached nearby houses.
a) come out b) put out c) rise d) shake e) flow
5. The weather finally started to _____ after two days of storms and rain.
a) blow away b) clear up c) burn down d) shake e) rise

Exercise 2: Complete the News Report

Word Bank: earthquake • flood • tornado • lightning • snowstorm

Yesterday, residents of Green Valley experienced several extreme weather events.

First, a severe _____ caused roads to become dangerous and visibility was reduced to almost zero.

Later in the afternoon, bright _____ lit up the sky.

The following day, heavy rain caused a _____ that affected hundreds of homes.

Fortunately, no _____ occurred, so there was no damage from ground movement.

Meteorologists also confirmed that no _____ was reported in the area.

Exercise 3: Phrasal Verbs in Context

Use: blow away • burn down • clear up • come out • put out

1. Firefighters managed to _____ the fire before it reached the school.
2. Strong winds almost _____ the roof of the old building.
3. The weather began to _____ and people returned to the beach.
4. As soon as the sun _____, the temperature increased.
5. The abandoned cabin eventually _____ after being struck by lightning.

Exercise 4: Find and Correct the Mistake

1. The river shook after two days of heavy rain.
2. The weather burned down after the storm.

3. The tornado flowed several roofs into the air.
4. The sun put out after the rain stopped.
5. Many trees rose during the storm.

Exercise 5: Cause and Effect

Match:

1. Heavy rain for 48 hours
2. A tornado passes through town
3. Lightning strikes a house
4. An earthquake occurs
5. Strong winds hit the forest

- A. Trees fall down
- B. Roads become flooded
- C. Buildings shake
- D. A fire starts
- E. Roofs blow away

Exercise 6: Complete the Story

Last summer, my family was staying in a mountain village when a powerful storm arrived.

It started to _____ heavily and the river began to _____ quickly.

Soon, water started to _____ through the streets and several houses were affected by a _____.

Later that night, strong winds threatened to _____ part of a nearby roof.

The next morning, the weather began to _____ and the sun finally _____.

Exercise 7: Reading and Vocabulary

A powerful tornado hit the town of Riverbend on Friday evening. Several trees fell down and two roofs were blown away by strong winds. During the storm, lightning struck a small warehouse, causing a fire. Firefighters managed to put out the fire before it spread. By Saturday morning, the weather had cleared up and the sun came out again.

Questions:

1. Which weather event affected Riverbend?
2. What happened to the roofs?
3. What caused the fire?
4. Who stopped the fire?
5. Which two phrasal verbs describe the improvement in the weather?

Exercise 8: Sentence Transformation

Rewrite using the word given.

1. The wind carried the tent away. (blow away)
2. The weather improved after lunch. (clear up)
3. The house was destroyed by fire. (burn down)
4. The sun appeared after the storm. (come out)
5. The tree fell to the ground during the tornado. (fall down)

Exercise 9: Writing / Speaking

Choose ONE:

- A. Which extreme weather event do you think is the most dangerous? Why?
- B. Imagine a tornado hit your town. What would happen? What would people do?
- C. Describe a weather event you have experienced. Use at least 2 weather words and 2 phrasal verbs.

Exercise 10: Challenge

Complete the summary.

A severe _____ caused the ground to _____ and people rushed outside. A few months later, heavy rain made the river _____ until water began to _____ through the streets, creating a major _____. During the same year, a powerful _____ damaged several houses and almost _____ a roof. Fortunately, the weather eventually _____ and the sun _____ again.