

Weather

1 WHAT'S THE WEATHER LIKE?

a Put the words or phrases in the correct place in the chart.

| below zero | boiling | breeze | chilly | cool | damp | drizzling |
|-----------------------------------|--|---|------------------------------------|---------|------|-----------|
| freezing | humid | mild | pouring (with rain) | showers | warm | |
| 1 It's <u>cool</u> . (quite cold) | 5 It's _____. (pleasant and not cold) | 8 It's _____. (warm and wet but not raining) | | | | |
| 2 It's _____. (unpleasantly cold) | 6 It's _____. (a pleasantly high temperature) | 9 It's _____. (cold and slightly wet) | | | | |
| It's cold. ❄️ | It's hot. ☀️ | 10 It's _____. (rainning lightly) | 13 There's a _____. (a light wind) | | | |
| 3 It's _____. (very cold) | 7 It's _____. / It's scorching. (unpleasantly hot) | 11 There are _____. (rainning intermittently) | | | | |
| 4 It's _____. (-10°) | | 12 It's _____. (rainning a lot) | | | | |

b Complete the sentences with *fog*, *mist*, and *smog*.

When the weather's foggy or misty, or there's *smog*, it is difficult to see.

1 _____ isn't usually very thick, and often occurs in the mountains or near the sea.
2 _____ is thicker, and can be found in towns and in the country.
3 _____ is caused by pollution and usually occurs in big cities.



c 4.3 Listen and check a and b.

2 EXTREME WEATHER

a Match the words and definitions.

| | | |
|-------------|-----------------|--------------|
| blizzard | drought /draʊt/ | flood /fləd/ |
| hail /heɪl/ | heatwave | hurricane |
| lightning | monsoon | thunder |

1 heatwave (noun) a period of unusually hot weather
2 _____ (noun) a long, usually hot, dry period when there is little or no rain
3 _____ (noun and verb) small balls of ice that fall like rain
4 _____ (noun) a flash of very bright light in the sky caused by electricity
5 _____ (noun and verb) the loud noise that you hear during a storm
6 _____ (noun) a snow storm with very strong winds
7 _____ (verb and noun) when everything becomes covered with water
8 _____ (noun) a violent storm with very strong winds (also cyclone, tornado, typhoon)
9 _____ (noun) the season when it rains a lot in southern Asia

b 4.4 Listen and check.

3 ADJECTIVES TO DESCRIBE WEATHER

a Complete the weather forecast with these adjectives.

| | | |
|--------|----------------------------------|-------|
| bright | changeable | clear |
| heavy | settled (= not likely to change) | icy |
| strong | sunny | thick |

In the north of England and Scotland it will be very cold, with ¹strong winds and ²_____ rain. There will also be ³_____ fog in the hills and near the coast, though it should clear by midday. Driving will be dangerous as the roads will be ⁴_____. However, the south of England and the Midlands will have ⁵_____ skies and it will be ⁶_____ and sunny, though the temperature will still be quite low. Over the next few days the weather will be ⁷_____, with some showers, but occasional ⁸_____ periods. It should become more ⁹_____ over the weekend.

b 4.5 Listen and check.

ACTIVATION What kind of weather do you associate with the different seasons where you live?