

Weather Idioms

As you might expect, a country with changeable weather like the United Kingdom has a lot of idioms that use weather words. In sentences 1 – 24, complete the first part of each idiom or expression in **bold** with its second part from the box.

...as rain	...but it pours	...cloud nine	...disposition	...for a rainy day	...in a fog
...in a storm	...in a teacup	...my thunder	...of criticism	...or shine	...parade
...rain check	...reception	...red mist	...snowed	...the driven snow	...like the wind
...the wind blows	...thunder	...wind of	...wind out of my sails	...wind up	...your judgement

1. The Education Minister's speech to the teachers got **a frosty** _____.
2. I can't think properly. I'm tired, and **my mind is** _____.
3. I usually spend most of my salary, but I always try to **save something** _____.
4. I'm sorry you don't feel very well. Why don't you go to bed, and I'm sure you'll be **right** _____ in the morning.
5. She's always happy, friendly and smiling: she **has a really sunny** _____.
6. I can't join you for lunch today. I'm absolutely _____ **under** with work.
7. I would avoid the boss if I were you: he's got **a face like** _____.
8. Your train leaves in one minute. You'll have to **run** _____ if you want to catch it.
9. I know that you're angry and upset, but don't let your emotions **cloud** _____.
10. I told Bill about my ideas for improving the company, then he told them to the boss and said they were his ideas. I can't believe he **stole** _____ like that!
11. I'm usually fairly calm and relaxed, but when someone intentionally scratched my car with their keys, I **got the** _____.
12. I thought my idea to improve sales was fantastic until my manager told me it would never work. As you can imagine, that **took the** _____.
13. Elaine has been **on** _____ ever since she got the promotion that she wanted.
14. What a morning! I got a parking ticket, then someone drove into my car in the supermarket car park, and to top it all I ran out of petrol. I guess **it never rains** _____.
15. I would love to go for a drink, but I'm a bit busy. Can I **take a** _____?
16. She thinks she's **as pure as** _____, but she's no better than the rest of us.
17. "We haven't got any tea. Would you like coffee instead?" "I suppose so. **Any port** _____".
18. "Do you think we should employ more staff?" "I'm not sure. Let's **see which way** _____ in the next few weeks".
19. "Are you coming to the match with us on Saturday?" "Oh yes, we wouldn't miss it for anything. We'll be there **come rain** _____.
20. The shop refused to refund my money, so I told them that I would take them to court. That **put the** _____ them!
21. Everybody was getting angry and upset about nothing. It was just a **storm** _____.
22. He tried to keep his plans secret, but we soon **got** _____ them.
23. Her suggestions were met with **a hail** _____.
24. Her suggestions were excellent, and it was wrong of you to **rain on**  **LIVEWORKSHEETS**