

VOCABULARY Extreme weather

1 Complete the sentences and the crossword.



ACROSS

2. We didn't go for a boat ride because of high winds.
4. There was a lot of _____ and lightning during the storm.
6. We couldn't see the road very well because of the _____. It was very thick.
7. It started to _____ during the storm. We were afraid the windows might break from the ice.

DOWN

1. I didn't have school today because of the _____.
3. It was over 35°C during the _____ wave.
5. The game was canceled because of _____ rain.

2 Complete the weather report with words and phrases from Exercise 1.

Worldwide Weather

There is a ¹ blizzard in Anchorage, Alaska, today. Expect 25 to 50 centimeters of snow by the end of the day. ² _____ of 80 kilometers per hour are blowing the snow around.

³ _____ is coming down quickly in several cities in southern Germany. Falling ice can damage cars and hurt people.

Today in Mexico City there is ⁴ _____ falling at about 3 centimeters per hour. Right now, it's quiet, but expect ⁵ _____ at night.

The Golden Gate Bridge is closed in San Francisco because of ⁶ _____. Drivers can't see very far in front of them. Be careful on the roads.

There is a ⁷ _____ in Dubai with temperatures over 40°C.

3 What kinds of extreme weather do you think can happen in these places?



1. high winds,



2. _____



3. _____

GRAMMAR Present tense review – simple present and present continuous

- 1 Look at Eva's weekend schedule. Complete the sentences about her routine with the simple present forms of the verbs.

Friday	Saturday	Sunday
go to class	work at food court	visit grandparents
study with Kyle at library	hang out with friends	make lunch with grandma

- Eva goes to class on Fridays. She doesn't go to class on Saturdays and Sundays.
- Eva and Kyle study at Eva's house. They study at the library.
- Eva works at the food court on Saturdays. She hangs out at the bike shop.
- Eva and her friends make lunch after work.
- Eva visits her grandparents on Sundays.
- Eva and her grandma make lunch. Her grandpa doesn't make lunch.

- 2 Put the words in the correct order to make sentences. Change the verbs to the present continuous.

- right / the snow / now / melt
The snow is melting right now.
- fly / Jake / to Alaska
Jake is flying to Alaska.
- in the park / play / they / basketball
They are playing basketball in the park.
- my / I / skateboard / not ride
I am not riding my skateboard.
- vacation / plan / a / we
We are planning a vacation.
- and Tara / coats / not wear / Ed
Ed and Tara are not wearing coats.

- 3 Check (✓) if the activities are routines or happening right now.

	Routine	Right now
1. I'm driving in a blizzard.		✓
2. Dennis goes to the beach with his friends.		
3. Sarah drives to class.		
4. You aren't visiting your cousins.		
5. We are going to the beach with our friends.		
6. Mark and Penny visit their grandparents.		

- 4 Complete the conversation with the simple present or present continuous forms of the verbs.

- Tina: Hi, Leo. What are you doing these days?
- Leo: I ¹ am taking (take) a class at the community center, and I ² play (play) on a new soccer team. I ³ am (be) really busy.
- Tina: What class?
- Leo: It ⁴ is (be) a meteorology class. You know, a class about weather.
- Tina: I see. What are you studying?
- Leo: Well, right now, we ⁵ are learning (learn) about weather changes around the world.
- Tina: That sounds interesting.
- Leo: Yeah. The weather ⁶ is changing (change) a lot these days. I ⁷ am reading (read) a chapter about extreme weather right now.
- Tina: Speaking of weather, I have to go! It ⁸ is starting (start) to rain.
- Leo: Oh, no. I guess I ⁹ am going (go) to my soccer game now. We ¹⁰ play (play) at the park every Tuesday, but we ¹¹ don't go (not go) when it rains!