

1 WHAT'S THE WEATHER LIKE?

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

below zero /bi'lou 'zi:rou/ boiling /'boɪlɪŋ/ breeze /briz/ chilly /tʃɪli/ cool /ku/ damp /dæmp/ drizzling /'drɪzəlɪŋ/
freezing /'fri:zɪŋ/ humid /'hju:məd/ mild /maɪld/ pouring /'pɔ:ɪŋ/ (rain) showers /'ʃaʊəz/ warm /wɜ:m/

	1 It's <u>cool</u> . (a little cold)	5 It's <u> </u> . (pleasant and not cold)	8 It's <u> </u> . (warm and damp)	
	2 It's <u> </u> . (unpleasantly cold)	6 It's <u> </u> . (a pleasantly high temperature)	9 It's <u> </u> . (a little bit wet but not raining)	
	It's cold.	It's hot.	10 It's <u> </u> . (raining lightly)	
	3 It's <u> </u> . (very cold)	7 It's <u> </u> / It's scorching. (unpleasantly hot)	11 There are <u> </u> . (raining intermittently)	
	4 It's <u> </u> . (-10°)		12 It's <u> </u> . (raining a lot)	

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

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

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

2 EXTREME WEATHER

a Match the words and definitions.

blizzard /'blɪzəd/ drought /draʊt/ flood /flʌd/
hail /heɪl/ heat wave /hi:t weɪv/ hurricane /'hʌrəkeɪn/
lightning /'laɪtnɪŋ/ monsoon /mən'su:n/ thunder /'θʌndə/

- heat wave *n* a period of unusually hot weather
- n* a long, usually hot, dry period when there is little or no rain
- n* and *v* small balls of ice that fall like rain
- n* a flash of very bright light in the sky caused by electricity
- n* and *v* the loud noise that you hear during a storm
- n* a snow storm with very strong winds
- v* and *n* when everything becomes covered with water
- n* a violent storm with very strong winds (also *cyclone*, *tornado*)
- n* the season when it rains a lot in southern Asia

3 ADJECTIVES TO DESCRIBE WEATHER

a Complete the weather forecast with these adjectives.

bright /braɪt/ changeable /tʃeɪndʒəbəl/ clear /kleə/
heavy /hevi/ icy /aɪsi/ settled /setld/ (= not likely to change)
strong /strɒŋ/ sunny /sʌni/ thick /θɪk/

In the western part of New York it will be very cold, with strong winds and rain. There will also be fog in the hills and valleys, though it should clear by midday. Driving will be dangerous because the roads will be . However, the Hudson Valley and the tri-state area will have skies and it will be and sunny, though the temperature will still be low. Over the next few days the weather will be with some showers, but occasional periods. It should become more over the weekend.