

## 21 I can talk about the weather

### A What's the weather like? 🎧

|                                                                                   | Adjectives           | Verbs                                         | Nouns               |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|---------------------|
|  | It's <b>sunny</b> .  | The sun's <b>shining</b> .                    | <b>sun/sunshine</b> |
|  | It's <b>cloudy</b> . |                                               | <b>cloud</b>        |
|  | It's <b>wet</b> .    | It's <b>raining</b> .                         | <b>rain</b> U       |
|  | It's <b>windy</b> .  | The wind's <b>blowing</b> .<br>PT <b>blew</b> | <b>wind</b>         |
|  | It's <b>icy</b> .    |                                               | <b>ice</b> U        |
|  | It's <b>foggy</b> .  |                                               | <b>fog</b> U        |
|  |                      | It's <b>snowing</b> .                         | <b>snow</b> U       |

#### 1 Match 1 – 9 with a – j.

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| ► It's <u>d</u>          | a of cloud today.      |
| 1 It _____               | b it foggy outside?    |
| 2 The wind _____         | c isn't raining.       |
| 3 It isn't _____         | d cold this morning. ✓ |
| 4 The sun _____          | e snow on the roads.   |
| 5 Is _____               | f rain a lot here.     |
| 6 There's a bit _____    | g the weather like?    |
| 7 There's a lot of _____ | h very windy.          |
| 8 It doesn't _____       | i blew my hat off.     |
| 9 What's _____           | j is shining.          |

#### spotlight a lot (of)/a bit (of)

**a lot of/a bit of + noun**

*We had **a lot of** rain.*

*There's **a bit of** fog.*

**verb + a lot/a bit**

*It snowed **a lot**.*

*It's raining **a bit**.*

**a bit + adjective**

*It's **a bit** foggy today.*

*It was **a bit** windy.*

#### 2 Rewrite the sentences using the correct word.

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|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| ► There was a lot of ice.      | It was very <u>icy</u> .            |
| 1 It isn't raining.            | There's no _____.                   |
| 2 Is the sun shining?          | Is it _____?                        |
| 3 We often have snow.          | It often _____.                     |
| 4 She doesn't like fog.        | She doesn't like _____ weather.     |
| 5 It was very windy on Friday. | There was a lot of _____ on Friday. |
| 6 There are no clouds.         | It isn't _____.                     |

#### 3 Test yourself. Cover the words in the table and look at the pictures. What's the weather like?

## B Wet and dry weather 🎧



In my country, the weather in spring is very **changeable**. It can be **pleasant** and **dry**, but we often have **showers**. It can get **hot** in the summer for two or three months, and in the cities it is often **humid**, especially before a **storm**. It's **cooler** on the coast, where there is usually a sea **breeze**. In autumn, we get some **heavy rain**, perhaps with **thunder** and **lightning**. In winter, it can be dry, sunny and **freezing**, or grey and **damp**.

### Glossary

**changeable** changing a lot  
**pleasant** nice  
**dry** OPP **wet**  
**shower** a short period of rain  
**hot** OPP **cold**  
**humid** warm, wet and uncomfortable  
**storm** see picture  
**breeze** a light, pleasant wind  
**cool** not hot or warm, but pleasant  
**heavy rain** a lot of rain  
**thunder** the loud noise of a storm  
**lightning** see picture  
**freezing** very, very cold  
**damp** cold and a bit wet

### 4 Circle the correct word.

- Humid weather is very pleasant/uncomfortable.
- 1 There was a bit of sunshine between the showers/lightning.
- 2 Do you like watching the lightning/thunder when it's stormy?
- 3 The air in the Sahara Desert is dry/humid, and it's very hot/cool at midday.
- 4 Showers usually last a few hours/minutes.
- 5 In cold, wet weather, your clothes feel damp/humid.
- 6 By the sea you get a nice breeze/wind.

### 5 Rewrite the sentences using the words in brackets.

- It's wet outside. (rain) It's raining outside.
- 1 It rained a lot last night. (heavy) There was \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 It was warm and damp yesterday. (humid) It \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 There was a bit of rain in the afternoon. (shower) There \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 The weather changes a lot. (changeable) The weather \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 It isn't wet today. (dry) It \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 We had heavy rain and thunder. (storm) We had \_\_\_\_\_

### 6 ABOUT YOUR COUNTRY Make the sentences true for your country.

- We often have storms in July. We never have storms in July.
- 1 We have a lot of showers in the spring. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 In winter it's always freezing at night. \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 The weather is always the same in the summer. \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 We sometimes have heavy rain for 24 hours. \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 It often snows in the winter. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6 Our winters are usually dry. \_\_\_\_\_
- 7 We often have thunder and lightning. \_\_\_\_\_
- 8 It is usually hot and dry in summer. \_\_\_\_\_