

Vox pops

- 1 Match each situation to a result.
Discuss your ideas about the meaning of the words in bold.

Situation

- 1 Flooding has caused a lot of **disruption** in the city centre.
- 2 The **ice caps** are melting as global temperatures rise.
- 3 Everyone had received the warning that the **typhoon** was due to hit the coast of Thailand last night.
- 4 **Data** from the weather office reports a decrease in rainfall.

Result

- a Sea levels will rise in general. There will be more flooding.
- b People had the chance to escape to a safer place inland.
- c Droughts will happen more often in some places.
- d There is no bus service. The police have closed most roads.

- 2 Watch the video. Do sections 1 and 2.

Do you think the climate has been changing over the last 10 years?

- 1 Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)? Correct the false sentences.

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| 1 Bella doubts temperatures are becoming more extreme. | T | F |
| 2 David E studied geography at university. | T | F |
| 3 Lyndsay believes humans are completely responsible for changing weather patterns. | T | F |
| 4 David R believes there has been an increase in rainfall. | T | F |
| 5 Sophie has noticed that summers start later nowadays. | T | F |

Can you give an example of what you consider extreme weather?

- 2 Tick the sentences that you hear.

Extreme weather ...

- causes really big disruption.
- causes damage to buildings.
- caused floods and hurricanes in the UK.
- is a typhoon or a hurricane.

- 3 Work with a partner. Write tomorrow's weather forecast. Exchange your forecast with another pair. Discuss how the forecasts will affect your plans.

